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GENERAL LUNG MAY RETURN TO YUNNAN

Successful Coup In Province Assured ARRANGEMENT WITH REDS

General Lung Yun, former Governor of Yunnan Province and one of the bitterest enemies of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, may return to Yunnan shortly.

Independent Nationalist sources told the "China Mail" last night that General Lung Yun has made preparations to fly into Yunnan and to take over when the Nationalist authorities evacuate in face of internal uprisings.

Arrangements have already been made with a certain aviation concern for chartered flights from Hong Kong to Yunnan.

General Lung Yun will assume power on behalf of the Communist Central People's Government.

The "China Mail" informant said that the present troops which have been sent to Yunnan by the Nationalist Government are in a state of confusion and that he is assured of an enthusiastic welcome when he returns to his home province.

Communist Round-Up In Kwangtung

Some 800 bandits arrested in the Canton area are to be sent to work in mines in North China.

According to reports from Canton, the Communist authorities there have warned black market exchange operators that if caught the second time they would also be sent to mines or farms in North China.

Yesterday the Canton authorities banned the circulation of Hong Kong currency throughout Kwangtung Province.

They also prohibited the export of foreign currencies out of the province.

BRITAIN & PEKING REGIME

London, December 7. Informed sources said today that the announcement of British recognition of the Chinese Communist regime may come as early as next week.

The decision on recognition has been taken in principle by the Cabinet but action on timing is left to the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, they said.

At any rate, informed sources said, recognition of the Peking government can be expected before Christmas this year.

The sources said the procedure will be simple.

They said: "The Foreign Secretary will reply, in formal terms, to the note received from the Peking government's Foreign Minister (Mr. Chou En-lai) inviting the British Government's diplomatic recognition."

"The Foreign Secretary's reply would be transmitted through the British Consul-General in Peking," United Press.

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The Weather

At 0800 GMT (2 p.m. HKST) the tropical storm which crossed the Southern Philippines and entered the China Sea appears to have intensified and is now centred about 500 miles E of Balabac, probably moving slowly Westwards. High pressure centred over China dominates the rest of the area and is spreading slowly Eastwards across Japan.

Today's Forecast—Moderate or fresh NE winds, overcast with patches of drizzle during the morning.

Yesterday's Weather—

Maximum 60.5 deg. Fah.
Minimum 52.1 deg. Fah.
Sunshine Nil.
Rainfall 0.6 mm.—0.05 in. Total since Jan. 1—300.6 mm.—11.84 in. as against an average of 212.7 mm.—8.41 in.

Readings at 10 AM.

Temp. at sea... 102.6, 102.6, 102.6
Dew Pt... 80.3, 80.3, 80.3
Rel. Humidity... 83, 83, 83
Wind Force... 4, 4, 4
Wind Direction... 102, 102, 102
Tide... 2.1, 2.1, 2.1
High... 22.6, 22.6, 22.6
Low... 0.8, 0.8, 0.8

Exchange Of Views

There has been frequent exchange of views and messages between General Lung Yun and General Lu Han during the past three weeks. Their personal representatives have been travelling to and from Hong Kong and Kunming by air.

Recent sudden suspension of flights out of Kunming (when two C-47 planes were detained) was carried out by the Nationalists to prevent General Lu Han from leaving the capital. His presence whereabouts are not known.

General Lung Yun was relieved of the Governorship of Yunnan in 1945 by Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek who sent his brother-in-law, Dr. T. V. Soong, to accompany the General from Kunming to Chungking. There he was given a high honorary post. He escaped from Nanjing and came to Hong Kong nearly a year ago. He has strongly criticised the Kuomintang Government and has thrown in his lot with the new regime.

Meanwhile Kunming is preparing for urgent evacuation. The capital of Yunnan Province may be transferred momentarily to Tali, about 175 miles to the North West.

Reds On Border

Vernacular Press reports from Kunming last night said that the Communist troops of the People's Liberation Army have reached Yunnan's borders with Szechuen and Kweichow.

Threat to Yunnan, however, is from within. The revolt South of Kunming is reported to be spreading. There is also considerable doubt about the loyalty of certain Nationalist forces.

Kunming is under martial law. All roads leading out of the city are heavily guarded by Nationalist troops. The airfields are also under strong military guard.

Government has already loaded trucks with archives and other essential important documents to be moved elsewhere at a moment's notice. The present, acting Governor of Yunnan is General Ma Ying.

The reports added: that the disaffected troops are advancing on Kunming and that there are indications that they are moving to encircle the capital. They were last reported to be within less than 100 miles of Kunming.

Pakhoi Doomed

In Southern Kwangsi, the Communists have penetrated into the outskirts of Pakhoi, capital town about 80 miles West of Kweichow. It is expected to fall at any moment.

General Ma Chung-hai, left Hailu on Tuesday for an undisclosed base on the mainland. It was reported that he is personally directing counter-attacks and

Kunming Exodus

Among the high rank officials evacuated here was Mr. Ku Chen-jun, Governor of Kweichow province. He arrived here on a Cathay Pacific Airways aircraft from Kunming.

A total of five aircraft arrived here from Kunming. Two were C-47 planes, two were C-54s and one operated by the Lutheran World Mission.

About 100 passengers arrived by the planes.

The two C-47 aircraft brought a total of 63 passengers, mostly dependents of CAT staff members in Kunming.

According to some of the dependents, CAT started to evacuate its Kunming office on Tuesday. Planes of ground equipment personnel and other staff members were being evacuated to Yulin, on Hainan Island.

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Reds Claim Major Victory In South

San Francisco, December 7. The Communist Peking radio today disclosed the full extent of the smashing defeat inflicted in the past week on the Kwangsi troops of General Pai Chung-hsi, in which the cream of the Nationalist forces remaining on the mainland were encircled and cut to pieces.

"Three entire divisions and the most part of two army groups" of General Pai's remaining troops were annihilated in the first phase of a large-scale encirclement campaign launched by the People's Liberation Army on the Kwangsi-Kwangtung border, the radio said.

"The three divisions of General Pai's 125th army were annihilated yesterday morning near Linghsien, 75 kilometres South East of Nanning, as they tried to flee to the coast to Hainan Island," the Nationalist commander of the 125th army and more than 10,000 Kuomintang troops were taken prisoner in this operation," the broadcast said.

"Most of the 3rd and 11th army groups were wiped out earlier on November 28 and December 1 further East in South Eastern Kwangsi, as they tried to flee into Kwangtung Province."

"Most of the 11th army group was destroyed near Pakhoi where powerful People's Liberation Army units encircled it and encircled it. The Chief of Staff of the army group and its deputy commander were taken prisoner."

"The 3rd army group, including the 7th, 43rd and the 120th armies, was first attempted to flee into Kwangtung but encountered powerful People's Liberation Army units and suffering heavy casualties, the army groups drew back into Kwangsi. At Pakhoi, today, in the South Eastern corner of the province, the Kuomintang army was overthrown by the People's Liberation Army."

General Visits HK



Lieutenant-General R.N. Gale, CB, CBE, DSO, MC, Director of Military Training, War Office, arrived here by air yesterday from the United Kingdom for a short visit. He was met at Kai Tak by Lieutenant-General Sir E. C. Robert Mansergh, GOC in C, Colonel G. Anderson, Deputy Director of Medical Service and Major E. I. Morris, Senior Chaplain. Lieutenant-General Gale is on the left. ("China Mail" photo.)

LI HOPING TO SEE TRUMAN

San Francisco, December 7. General Li Tsung-jen, Acting President of Nationalist China, arrived in the United States today and was greeted by a wildly cheering crowd of Chinese residents.

General Li later left by plane for New York where he will enter the Presbyterian Hospital for treatment.

In a statement, General Li said that after medical treatment he plans to talk with Government leaders and visit "this beautiful country." He hopes to see President Truman.

General Li said "I am here solely for the purpose of obtaining medical treatment."

He blamed the plight of his Government on the rise of Communism and Russian aid to the Chinese Communists and the Government's failure to work hard enough for the people's welfare.

A formal statement distributed by Dr. Kun Chieh-hou, his personal representative in Washington, declared that the whole Asian continent and the countries beyond are faced with the danger of Communist rule should the present conquest go unchecked.

The statement assured "our American friends" that the Chinese people are determined to preserve their liberty.

The statement said that General Li's absence from China in no way affects the campaign against the Communists, and as soon as his physical condition permits he will return to China and resume his personal direction of the struggle.

Approach To U.S.

After General Li has undergone medical treatment, he will set down to business with American officials. He will speak for Nationalist China with little more than token authority as nominal head of the Government.

His personal representative in Washington, Dr. Kun, during the last months has received nothing but the cold shoulder in response to his pleas for fresh American assistance.

General Li's visit to the United States will almost certainly prove embarrassing to American officials.

Protocol required the Government to extend an invitation to the Acting President once he had expressed desire to visit this country. But General Li's visit will serve to rally critics of the State Department's China policy in a new campaign to obtain additional aid for the Nationalists.—United Press and Associated Press.

SHIP TO PICK UP ANGUS WARD

The ss. Pacific Transport left Hong Kong yesterday to evacuate the United States Consul-General, Mr. Angus Ward, and his staff from Tientsin.

The entire passenger accommodation on the Pacific Transport has been chartered by the United States State Department for the evacuation.

Mr. Ward and his party will board the ship at Taku, Har, probably on Monday.

Two foreign correspondents from Hong Kong are on board the Pacific Transport. They are Mr. Stan Rich, of the Associated Press, and Mr. C. Farnsworth, of Scripps-Howard.

RUSSIA'S BOMBS

New York, December 7. General Pierre Billotte, chief of the French delegation to the military staff committee of the United Nations, told correspondents that Russia probably possesses eight or 10 atomic bombs and is capable of producing two to four monthly.

REFORM CLUB PLATFORM PRESENTED TO MEMBERS

The 13-point platform of the Reform Club of Hong Kong was presented to a general meeting of members at the Hong Kong Hotel Roof Garden last night by Mr. B. A. Bernacchi, Chairman of the Club.

The platform covered a comprehensive range of civic and other activities, including constitution of the legislature, finance, education, medical service, social welfare, defence, public services, cost of living, agriculture and fisheries, other industries, reparations, and general matters of administration.

The motion to adopt the platform as presented, was proposed by the Chairman, and seconded by Mr. P. C. Woo. Four members of the committee, Mr. T. A. Martin, Dr. R. H. S. Leo, Mr. Ma Man-fai and Mr. Marcus da Silva, spoke in support of it.

There were no questions from the audience except notice from Mr. Charles Loseby, former Chairman of the Club, that he would like to propose that the platform as presented should be referred back to the committee for further consideration.

The Chairman said all amendments would not be dealt with at the meeting but would have to be sent in writing, signed by the proposer and seconder, which he would study and which would be taken up at the next meeting of the Club on Wednesday, December 14.

Mr. Bernacchi, introducing the platform, said: "This is the first meeting of the Reform Club for some months and I want to report to you what your Committee has been doing during this period. I must tell you first of all with regret that Mr. Charles Loseby resigned from the Chairmanship and the Committee some while ago. Mr. Loseby is still a member of the Club and it is the hope of myself and the Committee that we may still receive from him the benefit of his advice and his valuable experience in political matters. I was elected by Committee as Chairman in Mr. Loseby's place."

"It has been the policy of your Committee to have foremost in mind the constitutional changes which the Club has always urged. Our first task was to see that first things came first and to ensure that the Young Plan whereby the Legislative Council was to remain almost in its present form should be drastically amended and the legislative reform should come first and foremost amongst the political changes. Whatever the final form of the Legislative may be, I feel entitled to say that in this the Club was successful beyond the expectations even of many of its members."

"We have every reason to believe that a reconstituted and revitalised Legislature will take the place of the present Legislature in the very near future and indeed, although we disagreed with some aspects of the Unofficial members' motion, we had the pleasing sight of these Unofficials actually voting themselves out of existence by their motion for reconstitution of the Legislature, a step for which I dare to say this Club was to a large extent responsible."

"Such being the conclusion, the successful conclusion of our first objective, a period of quiet was inevitable before the second stage could be reached."

"During this period of quiet, the Committee has gone ahead on such matters as Housing, the formation of a Committee of Civil Liberties which already has some applications before it, consideration of Chinese law and custom in its application to Hong Kong and other more or less routine matters."

Housing Plan

"I have, unfortunately, to tell you that the first Housing Plan fell through on account of failure of the contractor concerned to supply us with detailed facts and figures as to the expenses. We felt that we could not give our support to a scheme where only final costs of the houses were given to us and in which we had no means of ascertaining the margin of profit the contractor hoped to secure apart from his own assurance of his philanthropic feelings. I can only say that the Housing Sub-Committee has considered alternative schemes but the matter takes us right back to the point made at the birth of this Club by your then Chairman, that it is very difficult to achieve results from the outside and it must be the aim of this Club to get into the Government."

"At the very first public meeting of this Club, the then Chairman told you that we would contact the Government and that we would not lose our contact. When we opposed the Young Plan, we made it clear that we did not support any attempt at delaying constitutional reform merely by reason of the alternative proposals that the Reform Club and others were putting forward, bearing in mind these two matters, I must ask you to accept that elections of the Legislature will be held during 1950."

"I do not believe that this Government or London will break faith with the people of Hong Kong. Hong Kong has been led to expect constitutional reform in 1950, and if constitutional reform be not given to the next year, the Government will lose the confidence of its people. As one of the objects of this Club is always to aim at increasing the real prestige of the Government, I can only view with horror the reaction consequent in such a break of faith."

"Feeling so assured of these 1950 elections, your Committee was forced to consider that the Club is composed essentially of members who have their own jobs to do and that we are at present lacking the funds to employ a large staff such as political organisations have in England. It was, therefore, essential not to be caught by rushed elections in a state of unpreparedness."

Liberal Body

"We want to have a platform from you which we can go ahead with now and not be forced into hasty actions or considerations at the last minute. The Committee has spent a considerable time over this platform. It has been in the hands of the members of the Club for the last week and has also been reported in the press."

"As a Club we view ourselves as a liberal body. We consider the necessity both of reform in the constitution and method of Government, and the necessity of meeting the peculiar circumstances that arise in this Colony. We consider that our draft meets these requirements but I can in no way be called, as I think a paper once referred to us, 'namby-pamby.'"

"I want to point out to you that it is designed as an outline and that in the form amended and finally approved by you will be developed and presented to the public by means of a series of meetings arranged upon the individual aspects."

This, members of the Reform Club, is our draft and it is for you to amend it as you will, for reasons of convenience you will see that amendments should be forwarded to the Secretary in writing before the next meeting.

"Please do not think that it is any desire of myself or your Committee to attempt to limit the amendments but it is obvious both from a matter of convenience and to avoid hastily worded motions, that they should be put in writing."

There is only one individual who has suggested that we say a few words.

"Under general you will find the paragraph: 'Appointments of unofficial legislative councillors to head at least two Government departments on the Executive Council.'"

"At least another two unofficials to be appointed to Executive Council."

"The eventual merger of Legislative and Executive councils into one Government body with Cabinet system."

"Perhaps one of the most marked aspects in which the Colonies differ from the more responsible parliamentary systems is in the members of the Cabinet. In a parliamentary system such as in England, and at least some of the Colonies, a clear distinction is drawn between the permanent head of Government department, who is a civil servant and the parliamentary head who in most cases is a member of the Cabinet and, as such, of the executive body. In Hong Kong, whilst between the members of the Legislature have sat on the Executive Council, they do so only in a purely general manner and in no way as representing any particular department of the Government."

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Governor To Visit Macao

The Governor will make a social visit to Macao today. He will travel on the ss. Wuahach and will return the following day.

Lady Grantham is not accompanying the Governor.

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Reminders

Kowlson Rotary Club luncheon
meeting, talk on "Ten Years in
the H-Baring River Valley" by
Rev. W. P. Blackstone, Penn-
sylv. Club, 12.30 p.m.

Y.M.C.A. Men's Club weekly luncheon
dinner, 12.30 p.m.

HK Women's International Club
dinner for Sisters, 7.30
p.m.

British Council weekly film show-
ing, Helena May Institute, 4.30
p.m.

Nine Dragons Service Club
Quo, 8 p.m.

HK Union Church Ladies Guild
meeting, Church hall, Ken-
nedy Road, 3 p.m.

RAF Association Luncheon meet-
ing, The Grapes, HK Hotel,
12.45 p.m.

HJ. Stage Club presents "Duet
for Two Hand", Chinese
Theatre, 8 p.m.

St. Andrew's Church, entertainment
for Forces, 7.30 p.m.

British Council weekly film show-
ing, talk by Mr. R. M. Omar,
Helena May Institute, 5.30
p.m.

Recognition in honour of Mr. A. M.
Silva, Deputy for Macao in
Portuguese National As-
sembly, at Club Lestiane, 8
p.m.

A fortnight ago, the Elsie Möller was steaming out the North Channel of the Yangtse river, after having broken the blockade to Shanghai, when Communist guns opened fire.

Twenty-six bullets struck the Elsie Moller, damaging her lifeboats and superstructure, but no one was injured.

The ship's crew, of more than 20, lay down on the port deck for more than half an hour before the gunfire ceased.

Even though the Elsie Moller's engine stopped, his ship immediately after the first shots were fired, and blew the ship's stern the Communists intensified their fire.

While attempting to break away from their position, within several hundred yards of the mine, the Elsie Moller was forced into the shore, and its rudder was ripped off.

A Communist boarding party ordered the Elsie Moller's captain to come ashore, and with a European officer and a Chinese interpreter, the captain met the Communist commander.

'A' Reprimand

When the Communists learned that they had fired on a British ship, their commander ordered his subordinate officer, who had commanded the attack to be severely reprimanded.

However, the young Communist machine-gunners swarmed around the British officers, and wanted to know how many hits they had made on the Elsie Moller.

The Illegal Strikes and Lock-outs Ordinance 1949 was extended another year as from January 1, 1950, by a resolution of the Legislative Council yesterday.

Explaining the reason for the extension sought, the Attorney General, Mr. J. B. Griffin, said the main purpose of the Ordinance was to replace legislation previously in force in this Colony to prevent strikes and lock-outs which took place without regard to any genuine trade dispute, which had the effect of coercing the Government and inconveniencing or endangering the life and welfare of the community.

TOMORROW
100th Hong Kong Golf Club annual general meeting, Roof Garden HK Hotel, 5.30 p.m.
Nine-Drummers Services Club, Tom-bola, 8 p.m.

HK Council of Women, general meeting, PRO lecture room
5.15 p.m.
HK Schools Musical Association at Diocesan Boys' School piano recital by Miss Renner

D. J. Davies, sick berth attendant of HMS Tamar, was charged before Mr. Thomas Tunn at Central yesterday with behaving in a riotous manner when drunk and with assaulting a police constable in the early hours yesterday morning.

day morning.

Sub Inspector Chan said that the defendant had attended a party on the Peak and later, when walking near the Peak Circle, created a commotion. Police Constable 256 approached to help him and was assaulted. When the defendant was taken to the Peak Police Station, he continued to create a disturbance.

Detoxes said that he could not recall what had happened the night before.

He was fined \$15 and bound over in a sum of \$100 for one year.

Allan Chandler, seaman of HHS Bu-101, who was charged with the ferrying of four E-10A aircraft, notes from J. R. Cooper, captain of the E-10A on November 28, was discharging Mr. F. X. d'Almada at Kowloon yesterday due to insufficient evidence.

Defendant pleading not guilty to the charge, said that on the night in question he had a great deal to drink and that when he awoke up the next morning he found these \$210 Australian notes in his pocket. He knew the notes belonged to Cooper and tried to reach him by telephone and to hand them back to him.

Lui Chak-chiu, of the Rose Hotel, Nathan Road, was fined \$750 by Mr. James Wick at Kowloon yesterday on a summons for failure to submit a proper return to the Registrar of Aliens. Inspector Reynolds, who visited the hotel on November 7, found that a Siamese national had been staying at the hotel since October 30, and that no mention was made of the guest in defendant's return.

Maryknoll School S

"Having completed our major work of rehabilitation, we were able to devote more time to the individual development of students," declared the Report of the Headmistress of Maryknoll Convent School read at the School's Speech Day yesterday.

The Report said: "Although we are naturally pleased at the academic success of our girls, we shall be far happier to see them live or 10 years from now living happy, purposeful and useful lives.

"We will not learn the art of living when they leave school if the seeds have not been sown deeply and tended well during their school days.

"Our students are encouraged to develop a sense of responsibility while maintaining a true idea of legitimate authority.

"We need the help of parents to encourage their girls to read good books which will be for them not only in present aid to their English but also a lifelong source of enjoyment and a helping hand to their mental and spiritual development.

"Now that the requirements for the Hong Kong School Certificate have been revised and the new syllabuses introduced with their increased flexibility, we are looking forward to having a choice of courses for our girls above Class

making, although cultural subjects will not be disregarded.

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Katharine Kain-Credit
History, Geography, Physical Science

Maureen Lee-Credit
Oral English, Chinese, Mathematics, History, Geography, Physical Science

Mary Virginia Liang-Distinction
Oral English, Biology, Mathematics, Physical Science

Kileen Yee-Distinction
English, French, History

Hedisa Mousallou-Credit
Oral English, Mathematics, Physical Science

Yvonne Yip-Credit
Oral English, French, Mathematics, History, Geography, Physical Science

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The Essential Services Corps came into being yesterday when the Essential Services Ordinance, 1949, which provides for its establishment, was passed into law by the Legislative Council.

The new organisation is an entirely civilian body whose purpose is to provide a vital service for the community in the event of an emergency. Enrolment is entirely volun-

Council also passed into law the Pensióners Ordinance 1949, which consolidates and amends the law regulating the granting of pensions, gratuities and other allowances in respect of public service.

The annual general meetings of three rubber companies the Chemor United Rubber Company, Limited, the Cheng Rubber Estates, Limited, the Semambu Rubber Estates, Limited, were held yesterday at the offices of the General Managers, J. A. Wattle and Company, Limited.

In his reports on the three rubber estates, Mr. W. A. Welch, chairman, said that the Chempor United Rubber Company, Ltd., made a profit of RM\$28,470. Cost of production was satisfactory. It was less than originally estimated.

As a result of the devaluation of sterling the present price of rubber is 44 Straits cents a pound. He added that at this price the company should be earning sufficient funds to upkeep the area.

The first Canadian ship to attempt to break the Shanghai blockade left Hong Kong yesterday.

She is in the ss. Lake Canlin, and 8,000-ton modern merchant vessel similar to the American Liberty ships which have recently defied Nationalist warships, and traded with Shanghai.

Through the Lake Canlin, and the Eastern China Steamship Company, the Hong Kong & Wharfedale, Marden and Company Ltd.—paper work for Hong Kong cargo for Shanghai was taken over by the United States Liaison Shipping Department.

The Lake Canlin is owned by the Western China Steamship Company, and is capable of carrying more than 7,000 deadweight tons cargo.

A resolution passed by the legislative Council yesterday extended the operation of the Landlord and Tenant Ordinance 1947 for another year as from January 1, 1950.

The motion for extension was proposed by the Attorney General, Mr. J. B. Griffin, who explained that under section 33 of the Ordinance the duration of the Ordinance could be extended by resolution of the Council not exceeding one year at a time. The last extension was made on December 16, 1948. The necessity for continuance of the Ordinance at the present time was clear, he said, as he put his motion to the Council.

The Colonial Secretary, Mr. F. Nicol seconded and the Council resolved that the Ordinance be extended for one year.

The by-laws for swimming pools made by the Urban Council on November 22 under section 4 of the Public Health (Sanitation) Ordinance, 1935, were approved by the Legislative Council yesterday.

Dr. C. F. Fahay, Chairman of the Urban Council, who moved the approval of the by-laws, said they were mainly based on model by-laws adopted by the Ministry of Health in the United Kingdom

Miss Hugette Diu, aged 23, of Austin Apartments, 414 E. French, Houston, was yesterday charged on three counts of the Immigration Ordinance.

Mr. P. J. Griffiths, representing defendant, pleaded not guilty and Mr. A. D. Scholtes at Central recommended defendant to Tuesday a

You are fortunate that you are not in the dock facing the murder charge," remarked Mr. Wickert, Kniveton, yesterday when he fined Leung \$50, imprisonment \$25 for assaulting another person, Cheung Choi, with a crowbar on Tuesday.

Defendant was also ordered to pay compensation, \$10 compensation and was bound over in 1910 for one year.



"True education is a lifelong process, and it leads us not to walls lined with certificates but to minds stored with wisdom."

"A great deal of trouble and unrest in the world today is due to undigested education and a complete lack of wisdom."

The above remarks were made by Miss M. C. Knight at the annual presentation of certificates at St. Stephen's Girls' College yesterday.

After Miss K. Cherry, Principal of the College, had read the annual report, Miss Knight distributed certificates to the successful students.

Miss Knight said: "The occasion reminds me of the story of a student from China to the USA who studied hard and long to attain a high degree and then returned to China." The certificate followed him home and when he received it, it had been marked by "The Government of the United States of America" as a piece of purestry true, a certificate is of no value to anyone but to the person who has

A great deal of the trouble and unrest in the world to-day is, due to undigested education and a complete lack of wisdom. "We set off, so many of us carrying our education as passengers. Some of us carry it so well it slips away from us in the middle of life and we become useless."

"True education is a condition not of the head but of the spirit; that is in man, the certificate of this education, bringing true accord between heart and mind, is bestowed in the late years of life in a serenity of equanimity, a benignity of presence, a presence of thought, a just judgment and wide mercy," concluding, Miss Kuehn.

The organising and general direction have been undertaken by the Shumshilpo "Kai Fo" Welfare Association, co-ordinating the work of registration of a mass of temporary shelter-seekers, and clothing, and handling all subscriptions in cash a kind with the Social Welfare Centre, the Kwioon Chamber of Commerce, the Chiu Cheu Kung Wai, the Lung Ming Association, and the Chung Tin Buddhist Association.

FISH PRICES

Fresh fish average prices realised

Hoang Keng Matriculation: Yip	Yellow Cracker	\$1.20	\$1.20
Yau Yung-lin	Mad Gulliver	1.50	1.50
School Leaving: Chan Chi-yuik,	White Pheasant (Hakke)	2.51	2.50
Chan Kwai-yue, Chan Den-yung, (small) 1.00	1.00	1.00
Chan Ming-hwa, Chong Chan-sir, (small) 1.00	1.00	1.00
Fanning Chow, (small) 1.00	1.00	1.00
Chan Kwan-tai, Tung, Fui-jung, (small) 1.00	1.00	1.00
Joan Hsu; Lily Ip, Lu Shui-hin, (small) 1.00	1.00	1.00
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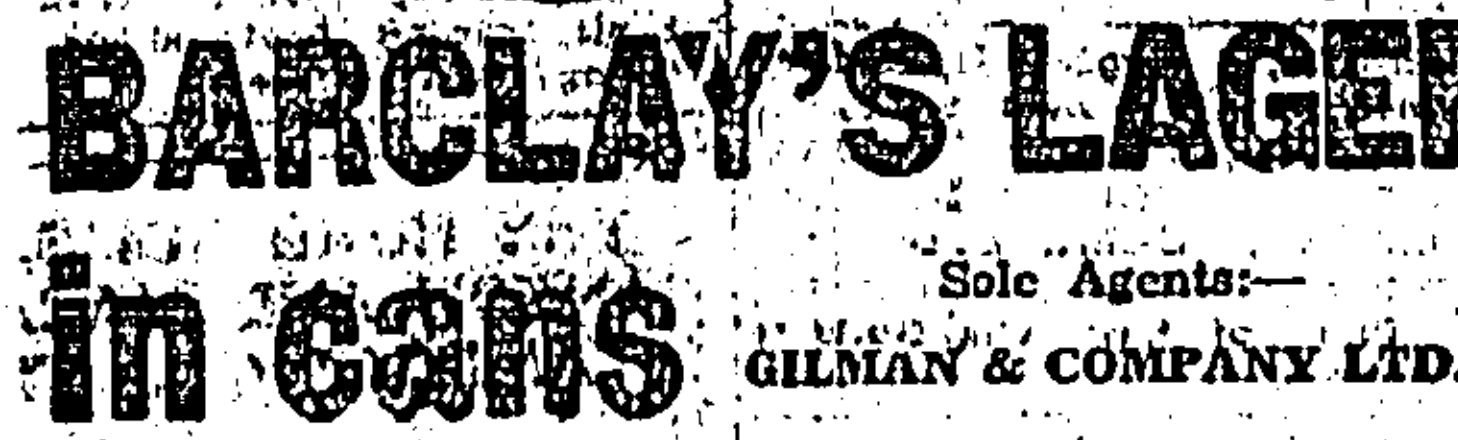
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CHINESE BOND ISSUE

San Francisco, December 6.

Four hundred million Chinese would have to advance 10 catties of millet each to buy up the proposed Chinese Communist people's victory bonds issue, the Peking radio announced, indicating the ambitious dimension of the Chinese Communists' bond project.

Quoting the non-Communist politico, Ma Shu-lan, the broadcast said: "The total sum of the victory bonds equals four billion catties of millet, averaging 10 catties per capita of the Chinese people."

The broadcast further disclosed that the Chinese Communists are planning to levy from the peasants 24 billion catties of millet during the coming year.

Other non-Communist comment on the bonds, as carried by the Peking radio, stressed satisfaction that the Peking Government is making no bones about its financial difficulties.

"The Government did not hide the fact of inflation and its financial difficulties. Since the Government is so frank the people will undoubtedly give their full support," the radio quoted Mr. Chang Lan who heads a minor party in the so-called Chinese Communists' coalition.

United Press.

Hitler's Surgeon Dismissed

Berlin, December 7.
Dr. Ferdinand Sauerbruch, 74, Hitler's last Surgeon-General in Berlin, apparently was dismissed from his job at the University of Berlin in the Soviet sector today.

The Soviet-licensed ADN news agency said that he is being pensioned at the end of the year. But University students said that his lectures were halted as from now.

Dr. Sauerbruch's secretary said that the doctor had nothing to say and therefore declined to deny that he had been dismissed. German medical sources said that high ranking physicians at several important Soviet sector clinics are being dismissed for "political unreliability".

Dr. Sauerbruch lives in Western Berlin. He has never been affiliated in any political way with the Eastern Communists. Charged with being a Nazi, he was cleared by a German court last July.

The Nazi charges arose from Dr. Sauerbruch's close relation with Hitler in Berlin. With the rank of General, Dr. Sauerbruch supervised the city's largest military hospital. He was reported to have quarrelled frequently with Hitler over lack of supplies and was known to have visited the Fuehrer in his last-ditch bunker shortly before the city's resistance collapsed.—Associated Press.

COURT MARTIAL VERDICT

London, December 6.
A court martial today found trooper William John Spriggs, aged 22, guilty of being absent without leave for a year in Palestine and stealing an armoured car, a Bren gun and ammunition which he turned over to illegal Jewish forces.

He was sentenced to four years imprisonment. Spriggs also was ordered to be discharged with ignominy from the army. The sentence is subject to confirmation.—United Press.

Britain Abstains

Nine votes against were then cast by Belgium, France, Greece, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Norway, Sweden, South Africa and the United States.

Britain abstained with Argentina, Australia, Bolivia, Canada, Chile, Israel, New Zealand, Nicaragua and Peru.

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The United Nations General Assembly, by a majority vote, today decided to ask the International Court of Justice to rule on South Africa's obligations on South West Africa.

The Court will be asked to answer two main questions: (1) What are the international obligations of the South African Government with regard to the former mandated territory of South West Africa?

(2) Has the South African Government the right to modify the international status of South West Africa and if not who has such a right?

An amendment, passed by 39 votes in favour, six against, and seven abstentions, also asked the following question: "Is South West Africa subject to the provisions of Chapter 12 of fundamental principles of the international trusteeship system?"

The original resolution was sponsored by India, Thailand, Denmark, Norway and Syria. Before the vote was taken the President of the Assembly, General Carlos Romulo, ruled that the resolution was procedural and, therefore, required only a simple majority.

Scott Documents

The resolution as a whole was then passed by a show of hands with 49 in favour, seven against and four abstentions.

Those voting against were: South Africa, Liberia, the Soviet Union, Byelorussia, Czechoslovakia, Poland and the Ukraine. The abstentions were: Cuba, Yugoslavia, Greece and Argentina. By a narrow margin of 21 votes to 20, with 11 abstentions, the Assembly adopted a clause on the resolution listing the documents to be submitted to the Court and described as likely to throw light upon the question.

Among these documents was the evidence submitted by the Reverend Michael Scott on behalf of the Herero tribes of South West Africa.

The Assembly also decided to ask South Africa to resume the submission of reports on South West Africa to the United Nations.

Regret Expressed

The Assembly, discussing the status of 317,000-square mile South West Africa for the fourth year in succession, had earlier in the day expressed regret that the United Government had "withdrew" its previous assurances to submit reports on the administration of the territory.

The Assembly also reiterated previous years' resolutions urging the United Nations to put South West Africa under a United Nations trusteeship agreement.

The Assembly was voting on an India-Guatemalan resolution and the vote was taken on the parts separately by roll call vote. The part asking the Assembly to "reiterate" previous years' Assembly resolutions urging South Africa to put South West Africa under a United Nations trusteeship agreement was supported with a vote of 29 in favour, 12 against and 11 abstentions.

But when it came to expressing the Assembly's "regret" that South Africa had not taken these previous resolutions into account, this was voted down to 27 in favour, 14 against and 11 abstentions.

This "regret" cause was then deleted from the resolution and it was put to the vote as a whole.

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voting, charged the South African Government with "repudiating" its previous assurances to submit reports on the administration of South West Africa.

These reports were ended last July because the Union Government claimed that they were used to criticize and attack South Africa's domestic policies.

South African Resentment

At the last moment, however, the Indian delegate, Mr. Sachin Chaudhury, said that he was quite prepared to change the word "repudiate" to "withhold" as his delegation had previously offered to do in committee.

This was accordingly done in the resolution.

Mr. G. P. Jooste, South African delegate, had expressed strong resentment against the use of the word "repudiate" when he addressed the Assembly today.

The Assembly also heard Mr. Hermod Lannung of Denmark say that the World Court should be asked for a ruling because it was "obvious" that hope had now failed of reaching a solution of the South West Africa problem.—Reuter.

UN BUILDING A "TOMBSTONE"

London, December 6.

The United Nations Secretariat building under construction in New York looks like a "tombstone" to a British architect, Mr. A. Trypan Edwards, declared today.

Writing in the trade journal "Building", he said that it promised to be the blockiest and most uninteresting building in the world.

"The Secretariat buildings where the deliberative and executive functions of the Organization are performed assume a horrible exterior and grovel to the ground," he wrote.

He asked, "Can't something be done to civilise this building and make it more worthy of its exalted function before it is too late?"—Reuter.

NEW MOVEMENT IN GERMANY

Heidelberg, December 6.

Prince Hubertus zu Leuchtenstein founded the Deutsche Aktion (German Action), an independent nationalistic, reform union, at Amorbach near here, today.

The new movement claims that it is not a political party and calls for the return of all German refugees and expellees to a unified Germany with her historical frontiers.

The movement will be directed from the Reich Secretariat at Amorbach. The old German Imperial Eagle is to be the Union's symbol.—Reuter.

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Commonwealth Financial Aid For Burma

Rangoon, December 6.
Countries of the British Commonwealth have agreed to give Burma financial aid amounting to 250,000,000 Burmese rupees, an official source said today.

The source said the decision was disclosed to the Foreign Minister, U E. Maung, on his recent visit to London. It is understood that the first part of the loan will be made in 1950.—Associated Press.

TESTS ON WARSHIPS IN THE TROPICS

Singapore, December 7.

Scientists are at work on experiments at the King Edward VII College of Medicine to determine whether warships in Far Eastern waters should be "tropicalised" to suit climatic conditions.

It may be 1951, however, before the work at the Tropical Research Unit of Great Britain to determine some of the effects on men exposed to hot environment is completed and put into operation.

Surgeon Commander F. P. Ellis who heads the unit, explained the work: "The Admiralty was interested in climatic problems during the war, when reports from warships in tropical waters suggested that severity of the heat between decks was likely to interfere with the fighting efficiency of the fleet. It was involved in prolonged actions with the enemy."

Naval ratings volunteered to undergo the tests under which actual conditions on board certain compartments of warships are simulated.

"The 25 Naval ratings who act as subjects for the main experiments are all in good health and have served one hot season in the tropics," said Surgeon Commander Ellis.

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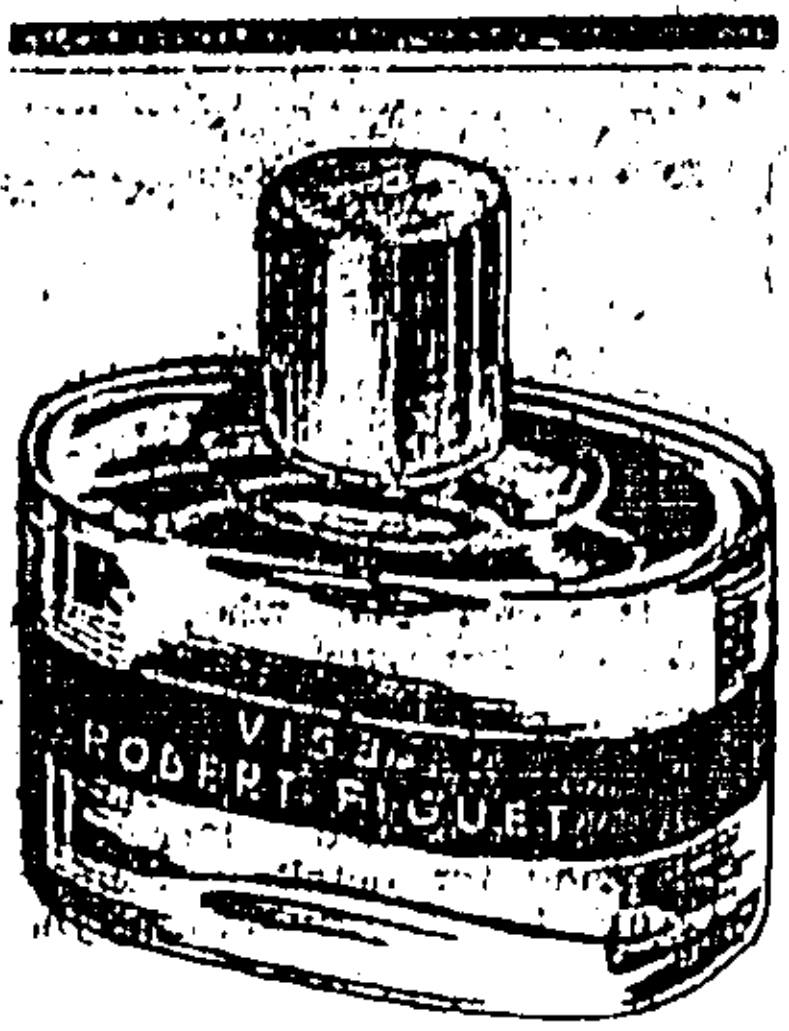
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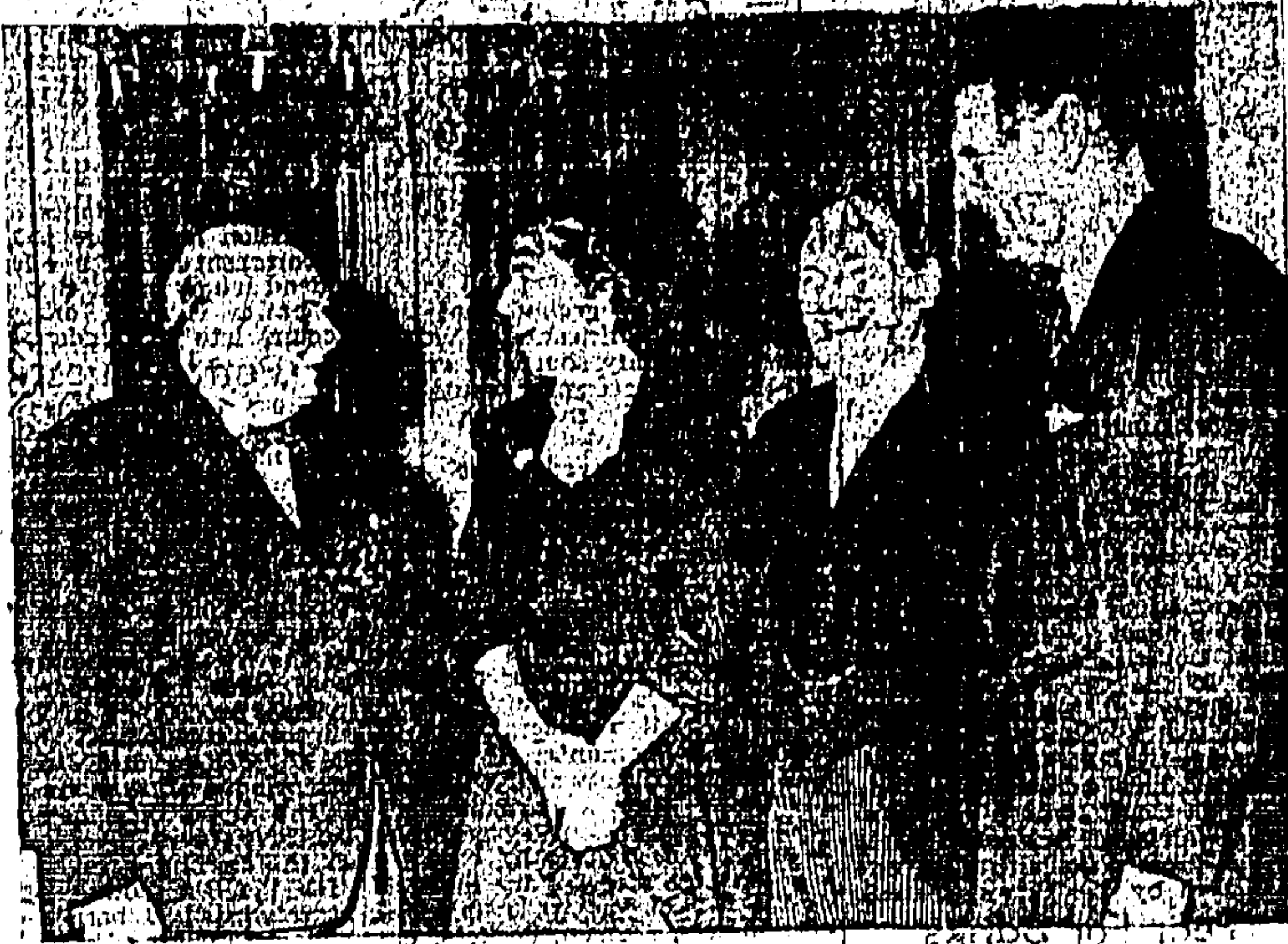
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Danish Royalty In Britain



The Opposition leader and wartime Premier, Winston Churchill, was 75 on November 30. The Danish Embassy in London honoured the occasion by a special birthday lunch attended by the King and Queen of Denmark. Hosts were the Danish Ambassador, Count Eduard Reventlow and his wife. Photo shows: left to right at the Embassy luncheon: Winston Churchill; Queen Ingrid of Denmark; the British Premier, Clement Attlee; and King Frederick of Denmark. (Associated Press Photo).

ATOMIC PARTNERSHIP REVIVAL DISCUSSED

Washington, December 6.

Britain's decision to halt work on a large new atomic pile raised speculation today over possible revival of the British-American-Canadian partnership in atomic energy developments which existed during the war.

That would mean the participation of British scientists in American atomic research, including weapons.

It also would mean the sharing of atomic secrets by both countries to a degree unknown in recent years.

Some diplomatic authorities believe that recommendations along that line may be taken up with Congress early next year.

CRUSADE FAILURE FORECAST

Belgrade, December 6.

Yugoslavia's official newspaper predicted today that the Communist demand for a world Marxist Crusade against Yugoslavia will boomerang.

"Hoch", Communist organ of Marshal Tito's Government, said in a four-column editorial the Communist information bureau's latest manifesto completed the bankruptcy of the so-called Soviet peace policy, and marked the collapse of its wishful reliance on an internal Yugoslav revolt.

The editorial was the first detailed rejection there to the resolutions adopted in a meeting of the Cominform in Hungary and published just a week ago. The resolutions laid it on the line that it is the "international duty" of Communists and workers everywhere to help overthrow the Tito regime.

"Berba" said this was a monstrous plot to make the world workers the "tools of the non-peace-loving policy of the Soviet Government." These workers, the paper added, have been given the international task of swallowing "another poisonous pill."

The Cominform's resolution of June 1948 throwing Tito out of the organisation was at least disguised as "some kind of Marxist document," "Berba" said, but the latest one dropped such pretences and resembled the "sentence of some court martial."

The editorial said this action by Russia and her satellites will "only deepen and increase" disapproval or, such tactics among the working masses. Associated Press.

President Harry Truman promised members of the Senate House atomic Energy Committee that no new agreements would be made with the British and Canadian Governments in this field without prior consultation with Congress.

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BELGRADE TRIAL OF RUSSIANS

Sarajevo, December 6.

The trial of 10 Russians accused of spying for the USSR ended tonight and the court announced that verdicts will be given at 10 a.m. on Friday. The court president Stevo Jokanovic, adjourned the trial at 8.20 p.m.

All the defendants had pleaded guilty to charges of wartime collaboration with the Nazis and post-war espionage for Russia in Yugoslavia. The trial was the first of alleged agents for the Kremlin ever held in a Communist country.

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ERP NATIONS ASKED TO PAY BACK DOLLARS

Washington, December 6.

Economic Co-Operation Administration officials here disclosed today that seven European countries have been asked to refund a total of \$30,000,000 in Marshall Plan funds. Reason is that they failed to ship 50 per cent of assistance goods in American-owned ships.

The countries involved are France, Britain, the Netherlands, the Belgian-Luxembourg Union, Sweden, Elre and Denmark.

ECA officials said that the money refunded would be used to purchase additional Marshall Plan goods for the countries concerned.

The request for refunds was made after a two-day conference here last week between the ECA and the Organisation for European Economic Co-operation.

The seven countries were accused by the ECA in October of

RED BID FOR WEST BERLIN

Berlin, December 6.

The Communist-dominated Socialist Unity Party is planning an all-out political campaign to capture West Berlin this winter, reports from Eastern and Western sources here today showed.

The main lines of the campaign were announced on Sunday by Franz Dahlen, Spanish war veteran and member of the Central Committee, addressing the Berlin District Conference of the Party.

"The American Imperialist enemies of Germany have established their bridgehead in Berlin from which they hope to sabotage the progress in the German Democratic Republic," Herr Dahlen stated.

"We must capture this bridgehead from within and tear it from the hands of the enemies of the German people."

Practical steps to be taken must include the following, Herr Dahlen stressed:

(1) Let united fronts be set up with Social Democrats and members of the Communist trade unions.

(2) Members of West Berlin factory groups must be invited to inspect nationalised factories in the East.

(3) Boycott campaigns similar to those in France and Italy must be initiated against war-mongering films and newspapers.

(4) Peace committees and groups of the German-Soviet Friendship League must be established, particularly based on prisoners of war.

The official Soviet "Tagliche Rundschau," giving its blessing to the campaign today, stated that West Berlin must be captured by the "West" Berliners themselves fighting against the foreign agents.

"Berliners are the same people whether they live in East or West and conditions that have become natural and obvious in the East must become natural in the West," the paper said.

The West German news agency today reported that according to well-informed Communist sources the campaign should reach its peak in the middle of January.

The campaign would be aimed particularly at the quarter of a million unemployed in West Berlin, the agency stated. —Reuter.

KASHMIR REPORT

Flushing Meadows, December 6.

The report of the United Nations Kashmir Commission has been completed and is expected to reach the United Nations headquarters within the next two days, High U.N. officials told Reuter here today.

When the report is received it will be circulated to members of the Security Council, the officials said. —Reuter.



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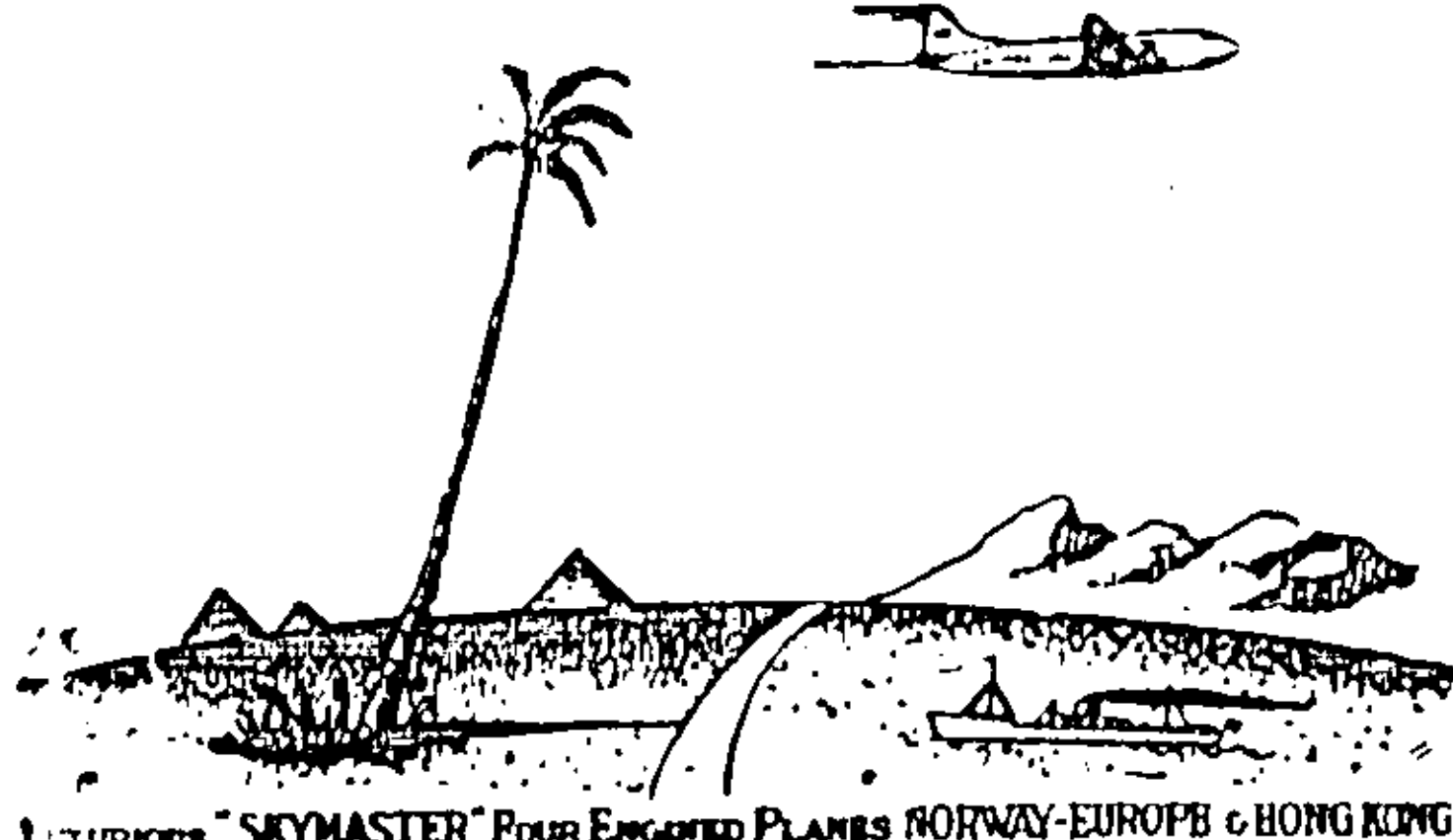
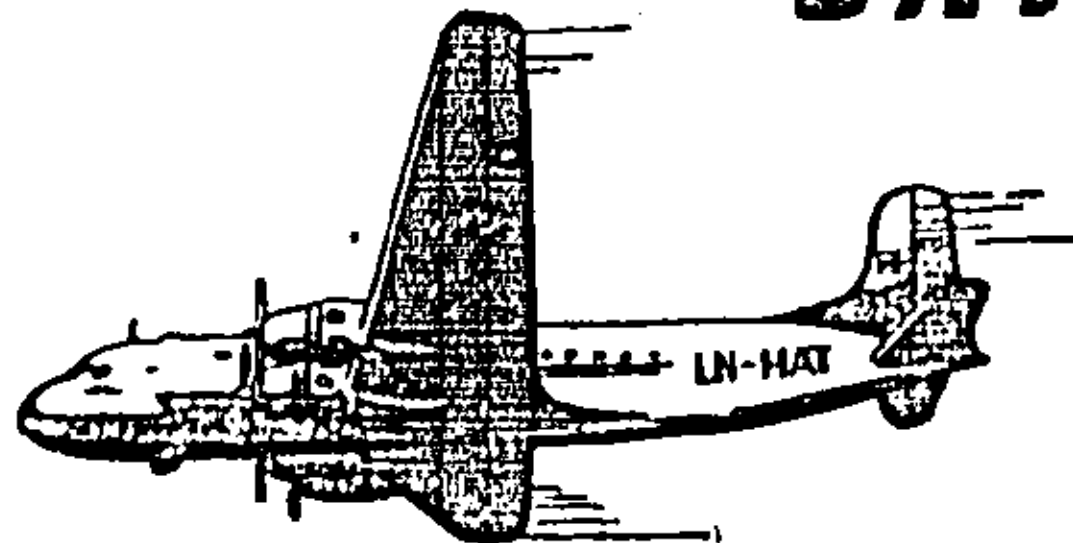
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DEATH

DUNBAR ELSIE LYONS, nee wife of LAMBERT DUNBAR, passed away on December 6th, 1949, in San Mateo, California, in her 66th year.

THE SIBU OUTRAGE

The attempt on the life of the new Governor of Sarawak, Mr. D. G. Stewart, at Sibu must have come as a shock to many people. Murder and violence have been rife in neighbouring Indonesia during the turbulent years since the war, but hitherto the Malays in British territories have kept to their ways in peace and order. It does not follow that the incident, deplorable in itself, is symptomatic of any deep-seated disorder. It does indicate, nevertheless, that even such isolated areas as North Borneo and Sarawak, which have been models of order, are not wholly sheltered from the upheaval which has nearly all Asia in its grip.

The two Malay youths concerned in the attempt on the Governor's life apparently belonged to the Union of Young Malays, whose members are said to be opposed to the cession of the territory to Britain. Some of these wish to see the Brooke dynasty restored. That attitude is somewhat atavistic in these days, for Modern youth seems impatient of privilege in all its forms, and has as little respect for inherited titles as it has for the modern bureaucracy. Of course, a change of regime involves a great many things, for family systems grow up around the centre of authority, and the decline of one means the decline of the other and there has been a lot of criticism of the way in which cession was effected.

In the case of the Brooke Dynasty in Sarawak, there is also no doubt a certain loyalty which derived from a picturesque and benevolent tradition. Sarawak enjoyed British protection, and left the control of external affairs to the British Government in the days of the Dynasty. It could never have survived independently even in the past—still less in the future—without Britain's backing.

The ultimate act of cession, in which the former ruler himself took the initiative, was entirely logical, if not necessarily impersonal. Sarawak presented serious problems at the end of the war. Both that territory and British North Borneo had taken a terrible beating. Recovery and rehabilitation involved heavy cost. Pressure for new development was considerable, and that, too, meant more money. The British taxpayer has been quite generous about this, and if the many plans for new development have not borne fruit as yet, that is not because the funds were not available.

There was no more persistent propagandist in Malaya than Mr. Anthony Brooke, who continually brought up the issue of cession at every opportunity. It has also been taken to the highest judicial levels for judgment. Unless there is a legal decision to the contrary, however, it is most unlikely that policy will ever be changed either in North Borneo or in Sarawak. Under the new regime, the rudiments of self-government have been developed, a good deal and are practised by nearly one-third of the in-

SOCIALISM FACES ITS BIGGEST SET-BACK

By G. WARD PRICE

If Australia's Labour Government is defeated at the polls on Saturday—which close investigation reveals as likely—it will be the greatest set-back Socialism has received since it began to spread over the British Commonwealth.

The whole principle of Socialism is in issue in the coming election. The Opposition, consisting of the linked forces of the Liberal and Country Parties, appeals to the voters in the name of individual freedom and private enterprise as against State control. For a British observer it is rather humiliating to find how Britain, under her present Government, appears to Australian eyes in the light of "an awful example."

In his official manifesto as leader of the Liberals, Mr. R. G. Menzies, former Premier, says: "The Socialists in Britain are already introducing industrial conscription. How could they do otherwise? It is essential to the whole Socialist conception."

The fact that walls in Sydney and other Australian cities still carry appeals to send food parcels to Britain has brought home the failure of the British Socialist Government to fulfil the promises it so boldly made to the electors four and a half years ago.

"If anyone seeks a monument to Socialism let him look around him and study Britain," says the "Sydney Bulletin." There a Socialist Government, elected on a Socialist programme, has made a more or less free run. And now look at it!

"The country is almost bankrupt. Inflation has run away with the sterling pound; shortages of food and everything else, and a new phase of 'austerity' beyond anything the British people have sampled yet—and now the Socialist crowd is frightened of its own policy."

No Great Issue
In this Australian election there is no issue on which both sides have agreed to measure their strength.

The Labour Government says the election turns on employment, accuses the Opposition of wanting to create a pool of

habitants. Nine more local authorities have been established, most of them on a racial basis, though in one particular region all the races living there take part, and it is hoped to extend this principle not only among the local bodies but also to the Council Negri. Most of the 11 unofficial seats recently became vacant, and it was officially stated some months ago that opportunity had thereby been taken to begin fuller representation of the people by their elected members.

A broadly-based pyramid of election has been instituted among the Ibans, with its counterpart among the other races. The heads of the long-houses elect their Penghulu or headman, the Penghulus in turn elect members of the District Councils, whose members elect representatives to serve on the Divisional Councils. These Councils in turn nominate six members to serve as unofficials on the Council Negri.

District and Divisional Councils are inter-racial. For example, in the First Division, which returned one Chinese and one Malay, each received votes from Malays, Chinese, and Dyaks alike. This helps to break down and prevent the crystallisation of racial distinctions and to merge them into a sense of common Sarawak citizenship.

This is the broad motive of major policy in all the British territories in South East Asia. The ultimate design is to create a new Dominion with a number of autonomous members. Where the many millions of Asia are going nobody knows. But we all know they are on the march—and are certainly not marching back into the past.

workless people as a source of economic pressure. This is refuted by the fact that the prevailing demand for labour is so intense that factories are working short time for lack of hands. Office boys are being offered more than £5 a week and the ordinary worker has so much money to spend that, according to a Treasury Report issued recently in the past 12 months the average betting turnover has been £25 per head.

The Opposition's main challenge to the Government is on the policy of Socialisation as symbolised by the recent attempt to nationalise the banking industry. This was defeated by the High Court whose decision that it infringed Australia's written Federal Constitution was confirmed by the Privy Council.

Fear For Banks

There is a widespread fear that if the present Government were to back to produce a squeeze the commercial banks out of business by methods similar to those being employed to hamper the internal airlines, which compete with the Government's own service.

Bankers, industrialists, agree in opposing Government control of

banking on the ground that the Labour Administration would then be the only source of credit and banking accounts would be open to official inspection and control.

It is also believed that nationalisation of the banks would soon be followed by that of insurance.

The second plank in the Opposition programme is the outlawing of the Communist Party. The Government affects to regard this as superfluous and unwise in that it would drive Communist agitation underground.

Though Communism is politically weak in Australia, where it has never won a Parliamentary seat, its agents hold key positions in industrial matters by occupying the post of secretary in each of the five largest trade unions—coal miners, seamen, dockers, engineers, and ironworkers.

In this election the influence of the Australian branch of the British Medical Association will also be against the Government. With more resolution than was shown by their colleagues in the United Kingdom 99 per cent of the 7,000 Australian medical practitioners have consistently opposed the Labour Party's National Health Scheme.

NO CAUSE FOR ALARM?

By ANN CHARTERIS

A few weeks after Britain's Prime Minister warned the country of its formidable financial troubles comes a "reassuring" book telling all about British institutions and the British people.

It is by Virginia Cowles, American writer and ex-war correspondent, who is now married to Aidan Crawley (Harrow and Oxford), the Socialist MP for Buckingham.

Miss Cowles calls her book *No Cause for Alarm*. This is a strangely complacent title. In days when the swift decline of the £ and the gradual rise in prices are alarming even the scatter-brained Government who are responsible for it many people think there is Every Cause for Alarm.

The author, though an American, has a deep affection for Britain, but it does not follow that she has a deep comprehension of it. We are told on the cover that she "knows England thoroughly." Her knowledge may be wide, but it is not profound.

When she writes of English customs and traditions she is, to use a sporting expression of her native land, frequently "off base." The book was primarily designed for the American public. Was it also meant to ease the Labour Government's next dollar-begging mission to the United States?

There is a great deal of information in the book, but on some of Britain's institutions it is oddly one-sided. She refers to the Conservatives though never to the Socialists, in condescending terms.

Thus she says that "to be a Conservative MP was a social distinction. Many worked hard, but as a social matter went into the House of Commons because it was a fashionable thing for a young man to do."

She lays undue stress on their wealth (as though all Tories were rich and all Socialists poor), but when she speaks of the handicaps of poorer Socialists in fighting constituencies she does not mention the help they receive from the party or trade union funds.

Queer Ideas
Her book reveals many other queer ideas about Britain's political structure. Thus she says that in 1945, "for the first time in the history of England, members of the upper class no longer controlled the House of Commons."

That, of course, is fantastic. The great middle-class had controlled it for a century, and even now its leaders are middle-class men. If we are to judge by such niceties, Mr. Attlee is higher in the social scale than was Mr. Lloyd George—so is Sir Stafford Cripps.

worst flying-bomb incidents in South London during the war.

Miss Cowles several times misses the point of such stories. Her book is littered with mistakes which somehow help her leaning towards the Left.

With Left Hand

Thus she says that up to the war the House of Commons was known as "the most exclusive club in the world" when it was really known as "the best club in the world"—a very different thing with a very different implication.

This prejudice also creeps into the description of the House of Lords. The author understates the peers' contribution to the machinery of State, and exaggerates their "obstructionism." She does not know that many members of the Upper House work an unsalaried 44-hour week to improve faulty

Nationalisation In Hungary

Nationalisation, a burning topic in many countries, has been attracting the attention of correspondent Ritchie McEwen in Vienna.

Writing from the Austrian capital, McEwen reports that for the past few months neighbouring Hungary's Communist Government has been nationalising every business, large or small, throughout the country.

As the nationalisation programme advanced, so did the country's papers begin carrying full-page advertisements—"Clearance sales at the cheapest prices"—the last attempt of shopkeepers to rescue something before being caught in the nationalisation web.

Some shopkeepers, however, were too worried even to attempt to "sell out" and as a result fell victims to Government agents who visited them and by offering to sell them huge stocks of goods made them believe they were not going to be nationalised.

As soon as the goods had been bought, however, and the shopkeepers had paid the money for them the same agents returned to say they were taking over the store!

How Lovers Behave In Japan

While "all the world loves a lover", to be in love in Japan may not always ensure sympathy and understanding.

In Tokyo, in fact, to be in love may mean, more often than not, that you act as nothing more exciting than an unconscious test specimen for University professors studying the Science of Love.

With characteristic Japanese attention to detail, one such professor at Tokyo University has just made a detailed check of "How Sweethearts Behave when in Love."

According to the professor, of 600 couples followed without their knowing, 290 walked arm in arm, 127 held hands, 20 walked "awkwardly embracing" and 140 walked normally side by side. Among 600 couples sitting on park benches, 382 were holding hands, 103 were kissing, while only 23 were sitting without "any outward sign of affection."

In gravely publishing his report, the professor includes a map showing where each observation was made. Even if his publication is not a best-seller, his map will at least show future sweethearts the places to be avoided.

So far the resistance of the profession has made the Labour Government's health legislation a dead letter, but if it is returned to power it may dragoon the doctors into submission.

Petrol Question

The comparatively insignificant question of petrol rationing may swing many votes against the Government. It imposed rationing, then found, as with the attempt to nationalise the banks, that this measure was unconstitutional. So to save face as well as dollars, the Labour Government had to appeal to the States' Legislatures to impose petrol restrictions.

This persistence in curtailing supplies antagonised the farmers in addition to garage owners and motoring organisations.

The Opposition maintains that sufficient petrol can be bought in the free world.

In the last House of Representatives the Liberals held 18 and the Country Party 11 out of 75 seats. This left the Labour Government with a majority of 10, as one of the 75 seats is held by a representative of Northern Territories, who doesn't vote.

For Saturday's election the size of the Australian Parliament has been almost doubled by the creation of new constituencies. Instead of 75 members it will have 121, while the Senate has been increased from 36 to 60.

Idealistic Tinge

Though the author's vision is so often myopic, she has discerned that, in the mingling of affection, reverence, and loyalty which best describes the British people's attitude towards the Crown and the Royal Family, there is something almost incomprehensible to outsiders.

However, she says the monarchy works because "everyone bonds over backwards to make it work," though the King's subjects are certainly not conscious of any such physical effort. The monarchy works because it is part of our heritage and tradition. No American would like to be told that he had to "bend over backwards" to do honour to the Stars and Stripes.

Miss Cowles devotes a rose-coloured chapter to nationalisation—though she shirks publishing figures of the sums lost by the nationalised industries. Few would deny that in some cases nationalisation was a good thing, but the author does not perhaps realise that it is easily set to say that it was successful.

"No Cause for Alarm" is biased, but it is also tinged with idealism—more especially the chapter on Western Union. It contains much that is interesting, when the author forgets her prejudices. When she retains them it is engagingly provocative.

It should make a good Christmas present, and a talking point for the family circle—if this is the sort of thing you talk about at Christmas.



It seems that whoever wants the airlines must go through the usual processes of law. I am, however, able to deny the report that there has been any noticeable increase in demand for details about next year's limousines and new yachts.

"Details on decorated residents sought." Myrtle, keep calm. Nobility's trying to check up on you.

According to a contemporary, "a son was born to Mr. and Mrs. who weighed a strapping eight and three quarter pounds." That really should be corrected immediately.

Note from Australia. Election nearing.

"See Charlie Chaplin in his new film, 'The Great Dictator.' That must have been a two-hour trailer I saw back in '30."

Too late, though. "The marriage of Miss and Mr. which was announced in this paper yesterday, was a mistake and we wish to correct."

An American visitor to England was charmed at one hotel to find an aspidochelone in his sitting room. He much preferred it to the palms in the hall.

A rather callow teen-ager, just starting out on his career of "dates," remarked to the girl: "I went out with a nurse yesterday." "Never mind," replied the girl. "Perhaps in a year or two your mother will let you out without one."

Statistics prove that 50 per cent of divorce cases are caused by financial troubles. Till debt do us part.

An Australian has divorced his wife because she threatened to run him through with carving knives, forks and scissors. Well, no skewers?

Myrtle's grandfather says botany is the art of insulting flowers in Greek and Latin.

"The Inspector said that defendant had given his business as 'business'."

In short, none of your.



"See, I'd hate to be out on a day like this!"

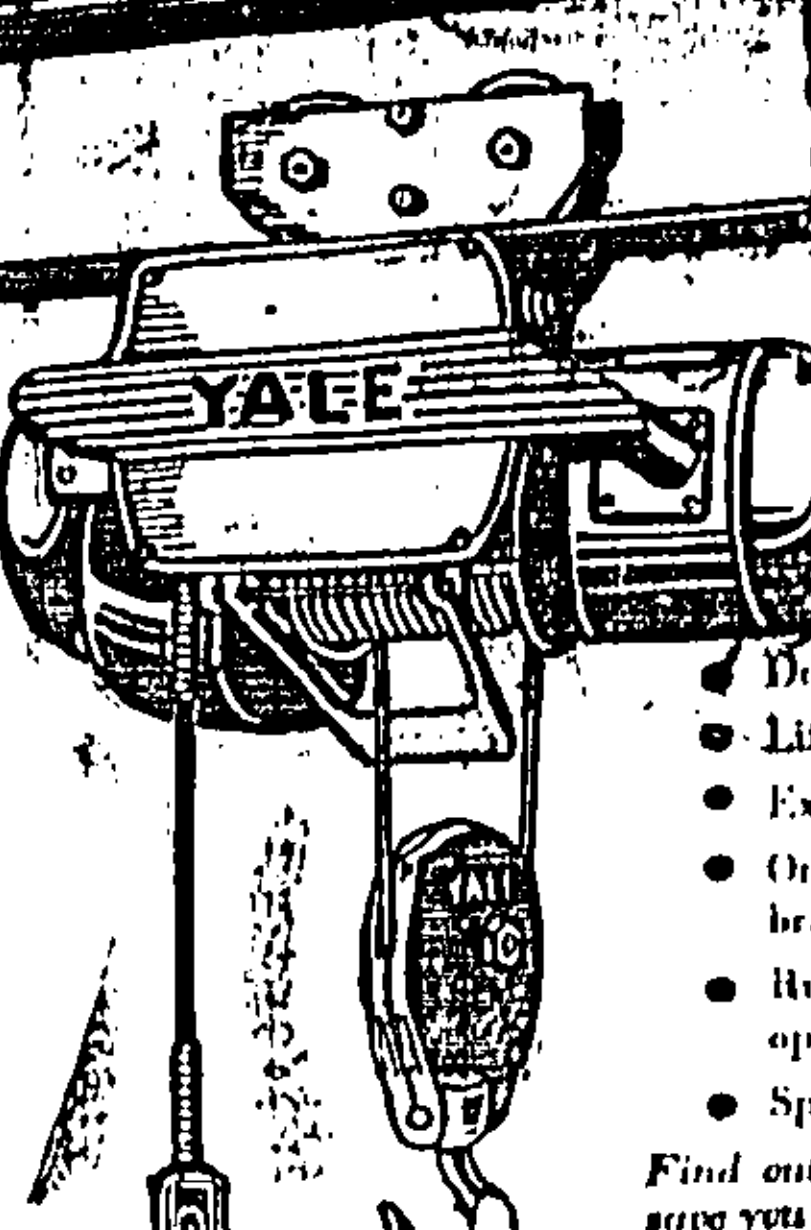
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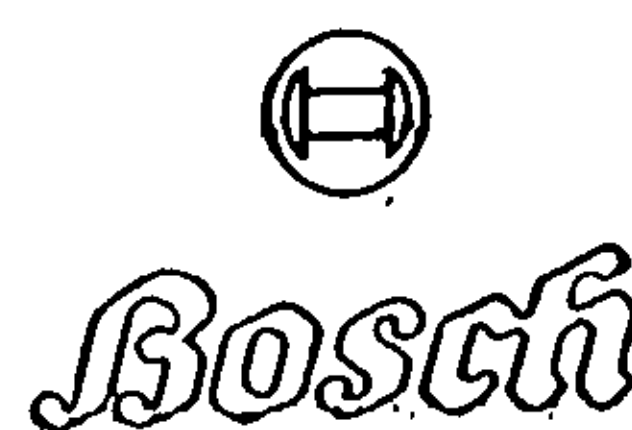
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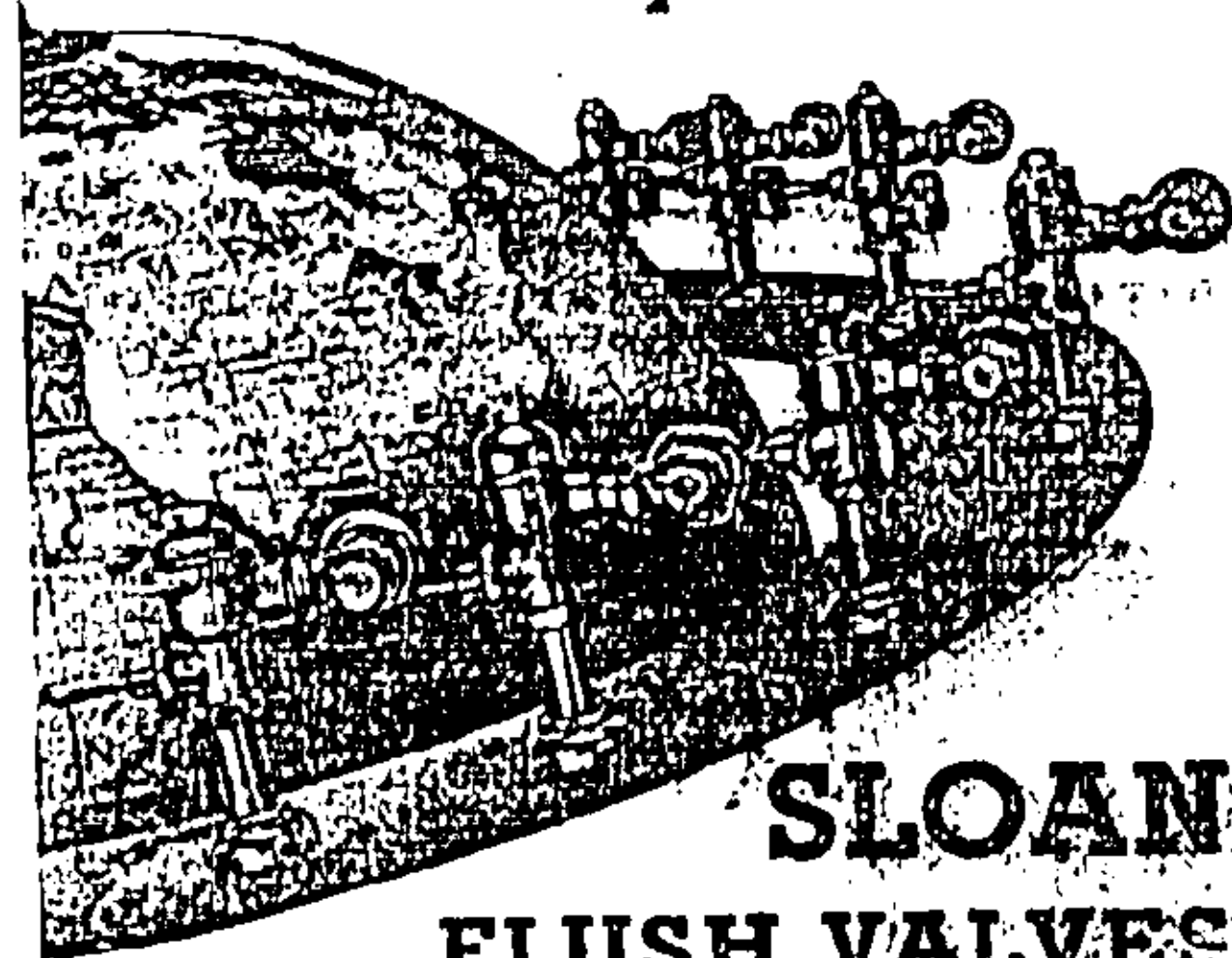
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THE CONTRACTING GLOBE

By A Special Correspondent

The recent eight day round-the-world flight made by two BBC commentators has confounded even the prevision of Jules Verne whose novel "Autour du monde en quatre-vingt jours", published in 1873, was at the time relegated to the realm of fantasy and considered more probable than is inter-planetary travel today.

Reflection Heat For Future Home

A completely revolutionary home that will eliminate gas, heating and lighting plant will be built by the University of Cincinnati for experimental purposes. The new type of residence, university officials disclosed, will combine the advantages of low cost and reflective radiant conditioning. It will eliminate such conventional necessities for interior comfort as furnace, air-conditioning unit, and insulation.

The home will be heated and cooled through radiant channels almost exclusively, with little or no concern for air temperatures. It will be built in Cincinnati.

Explaining that reflective radiant conditioning is not the same as radiant heating currently obtained by water pipes buried in walls or ceiling, university officials said that the new house will be almost entirely self-sufficient in energy. The house will be one of the best heat-ray reflectors known.

In place of a heating plant will be a few electrical resistance coils in each room for generating heat. Cooling coils, resistance coils for heat, and fluorescent colour lighting will all be placed in a cave near the ceiling, giving heat and light and removing radiant heat in hot weather only by reflection.

The experiment will be conducted by Dr. Clarence A. Mills, professor of experimental medicine in the university's college of medicine. Dr. Mills and his wife will live in the home to make observations and keep operational records.

"These radiant system, walls and ceiling surfaces act as passive reflectors of heat rays. Their actual temperatures remain the same as those of the air mass next to them," Dr. Mills explained.

"Thus there is no longer any concern over heat flow through walls or ceiling and no further need for insulation. Building construction now needs only to protect against wind and rain, and to provide an inner surface for supporting the heat-reflective aluminium foil. With elimination of the insulation factor and heating plant, building costs can be reduced sharply."

"Added to this is the lower maintenance cost of reflective radiant conditioning, since air mass and building materials no longer need to be heated in winter or cooled in summer, and the fact that under the new system each room is conditioned only while in actual use."

"Year-round comfort, Dr. Mills said, should thus be available for much less than is now spent for winter heating alone by conventional methods."

"Some of the newest refrigerators are equipped with heaters. The heater is produced by the U.S. Rubber Co. It is a strip of electrically conductive rubber which warms up to about 115 degrees, and is used to prevent "frost" or moisture from condensing on parts of the refrigerator cabinet interior."

The eight days, taken was an overall journey time: the actual flying time was about 107 hours, which gives over a route of a little more than 26,000 miles an average speed of approximately 245 m.p.h. The aircraft used throughout the flight were powered with piston engines.

That such a flight can be made by any fare-paying passenger is even more remarkable when the existing round-the-world record-making flights made in 1937 and 1940 are considered.

In 1947 Captain W. P. Odum flew a course of approximately 26,000 miles in 73 hours 5 minutes, while in March 1939 a USAF Boeing B-50 made the first non-stop round the world flight by means of re-fuelling in the air. The distance covered was 23,452 miles — 1,550 miles shorter than the circumference of the globe at the equator, and the time taken was 94 hours giving an average speed of 219.39 m.p.h.

Important Significance

These record-breaking flights were not only great technical achievements but have important civil and military significance. The "raison d'être" of aviation in speed and the higher the cruising speed of an aircraft the greater the advantage of the aeroplane over other methods of transport. On the world's long distance routes range is of complementary importance to speed since any inter-terminal travelling stops will affect the overall journey time.

It is the high-speed airliner, capable of economic operation, which will capture the civil aviation market during the next decade. The piston-engine has perhaps almost reached the zenith of its development as such and it is unlikely that any piston-engine aircraft will be produced to cruise economically at much more than 300 m.p.h. However, other prime-movers the propeller-turbine and turbo-jet — are being rapidly developed, particularly in Britain, and applied to civil air transport, and these engines will supply the necessary thrust for higher cruising speeds.

This year's display of the Society of British Aircraft Constructors at Farnborough, England clearly indicated Britain's opportunity of wresting from the piston-engine's undoubted lead in civil aircraft, gained in the war years when all the Commonwealth's resources were concentrated on the production of military aircraft.

Although the piston-engine aircraft may be expected to hold its own on short-stage and feeder-line routes for several years to come, it is reasonably certain that for long and medium stage routes the turbo-jet and propeller-turbine powered aircraft, with their higher cruising speed will supersede it ultimately.

BOAC is the first, and at present only, airline in the world to place an order for turbo-jet powered airliners. Its associate company, British West Indian Airways, and the British European Airways Corporation are the first, and at present only, airlines to order propeller-turbine powered aircraft.

Reasons For Change

The reasons for the ascendancy of these new types of power plant over the piston engine are broadly as follows:

Higher speeds at the lower altitudes necessitate smaller wings which in turn result in high wing loadings (weight area: wing).

With consequent excessive length in take-off run and high landing speeds. Thus to obtain higher speeds without increasing the present practical limits of take-off run and landing speed it is necessary to fly an aircraft at high altitudes where the plane drag is progressively reduced with decreasing air density, or, put another way, where for a specific amount of drag the true speed will increase with increasing altitude.

At 20,000 feet the mechanically driven supercharger absorbs some 20 per cent of the total horsepower and at higher altitudes there is a corresponding increase in power absorption, and the weight to obtain the same speed of 550 m.p.h. Exhaust-driven turbo-superchargers are lighter and produce an equivalent degree of supercharging to higher altitudes.

Similarly the propulsive efficiency of a propeller falls off with altitude owing to limitations of blade pitch. Hence from 350-500 m.p.h. and up to the limiting altitude a propeller driven by a turbine is a practically superior proposition. The high efficiency thrust of the propeller is augmented by the additional thrust produced by the exhaust efflux of the turbine.

The propulsive efficiency of the pure (turbo) jet engine increases with speed and only reaches 100 per cent when the speed of the aircraft equals that of the exhaust efflux. With an exhaust velocity of 1,400 m.p.h. and an aircraft speed of 550 m.p.h. the propulsive efficiency is only 65 per cent — an efficiency which can be increased by increasing the aircraft speed which we have earlier seen requires higher altitudes for efficient operation. Hence at speeds of more than 600 m.p.h. a pure jet engine, indicated with an operating height upwards of 35,000 feet.

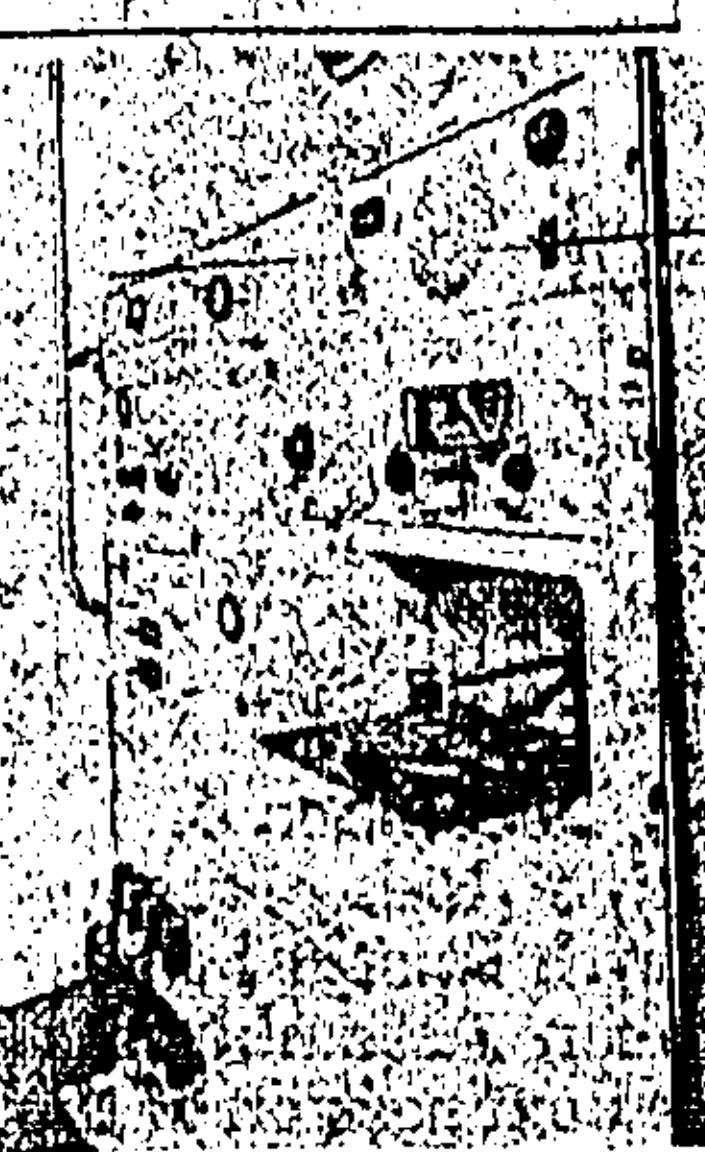
Between 500 and 550 m.p.h. there is an overlapping and little choice in performance between the propeller-turbine and turbo-jet since at these speeds the specific fuel consumption (thrust/lb. fuel an hour) of the turbo-jet is less than that of the propeller-turbine. The additional installation weight of the propeller of the propeller-turbine would weigh the scales in favour of the employment of the lighter turbo-jet engine.

For very high speed flight, therefore, the pure turbo-jet engine will be employed in an aircraft flying at high altitudes where the fuel consumption is expressed in 1/2 mile/lb. fuel will be less than that of the propeller-turbine. Such aircraft will have cabin pressurized to a higher, unprecedented degree. One such aircraft, the de Havilland Comet, has done a considerable amount of flying and 24 have been projected off the drawing board by BOAC.

Comparatively little detailed technical information has been released about the Comet, but it is expected to cruise at some 600 m.p.h. to have a conventional landing speed and to carry 39 or more passengers on Commonwealth routes.

It may be anticipated that, with a cruising speed of approximately double that of any aircraft in service, the overall journey time from London to Sydney — now 87 hours by BOAC/Quintas Constellation — may be reduced to under 40 hours with the Comet flying at 600 m.p.h. with night stops.

An aircraft with the cruising speed of the Comet would be capable of flying round the world in three days if it divided sufficient fuel for long-stage flights.



General View of radio, record-player and amplifier racks

Sound System In National Insurance

An interesting sound equipment installation recently completed by the General Electric Co. Ltd. of England is in the Central Office of the Ministry of National Insurance at Benton, Newcastle-on-Tyne, where a staff of 7,500 are employed in keeping up-to-date the National Insurance and Family Allowance records of the whole population.

The installation consists of two separate 300 watt amplifier assemblies supplying groups of 100 and 164 loudspeakers. The primary purpose of the system is to enable general announcements and operational instructions to be put over to the whole staff without a moment's delay.

In addition the system is adapted for playing gramophone records and BBC musical programmes.

An Interesting Mobile V.H.F. Radio Installation

Although the uses of VHF radio in industry and commerce are slowly becoming known there are many applications which, although advantageous, have not yet been attempted on a large scale.

One is in the newspaper field, and the illustration shows a trailer caravan which has been equipped by the Express and Star Newspapers as a mobile radio station with VHF radio as the focus of its utility.

The caravan, in effect a branch office of wheels, contains a "BUSH" machine for stenographic reports, a fully equipped photographic dark room and a 20-watt VHF radio transmitter and receiver made by the General Electric Company Ltd. of England.

The most modern form of frequency modulation is used for this VHF radio and it is found that interference caused by electrical machinery etc. is almost non-existent. No special technical knowledge is needed to use the equipment and there are no tuning knobs to turn. The handset is picked up and used as an ordinary telephone and the control box contains a small loudspeaker so that the station can be called when the handset is hanging up.

By having the vehicle equipped with radio it is not only possible to transmit news direct to head office at Wolverhampton but sports results for the "BUSH" machine can be transmitted from head office to the van.

Advice On Pictures

It is also possible to advise the news editor as to pictures available or on their way to him and for the staff of the van to be referred to the paper by the public and has proved to have substantial prestige value by allowing an answer to be given very quickly to any type of question.

An interesting feature of the GEC radio equipment is that the same apparatus can be switched to become a public address amplifier and thus announcements can be made from the loudspeakers on the roof without the need to have a special amplifier for this purpose.

The radio equipment has a nominal coverage of 15 miles radius from Wolverhampton but in many cases this is greatly exceeded, especially when the caravan is driving on the high ground. Power is drawn from batteries carried in the caravan and these can be recharged off the dynamo of the towing vehicle.

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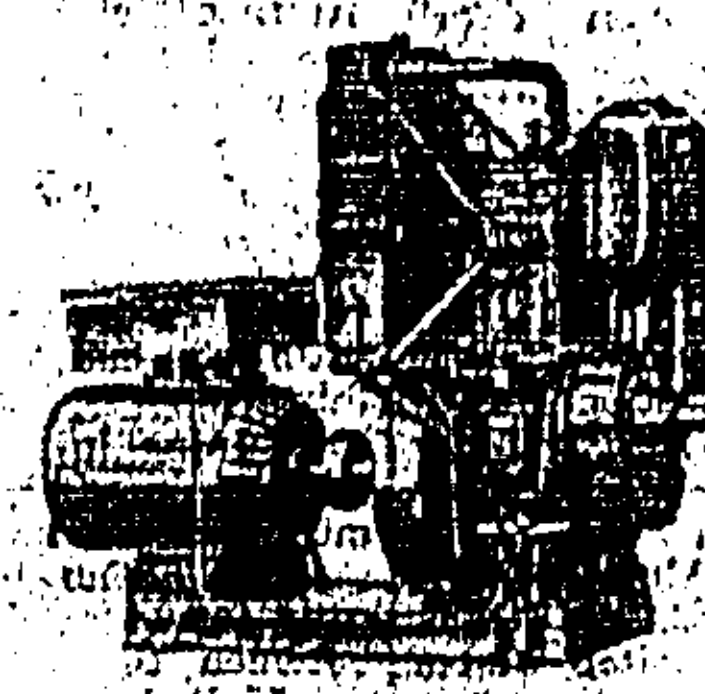
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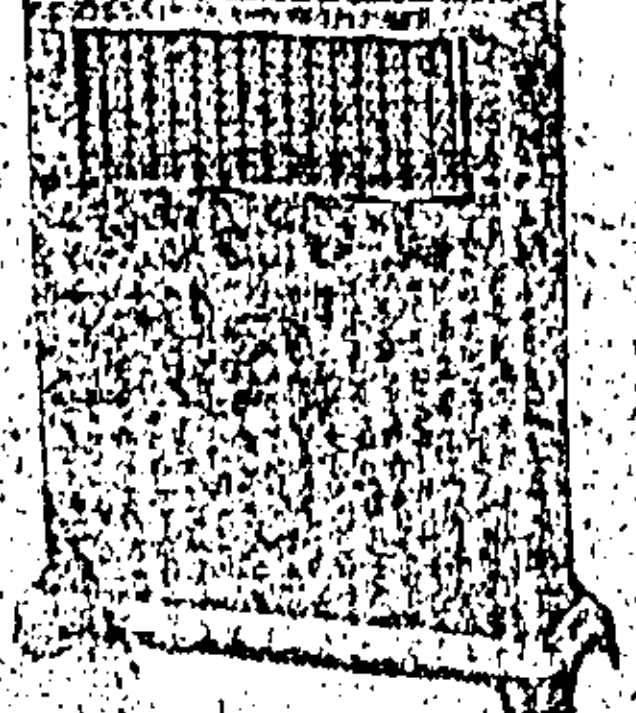
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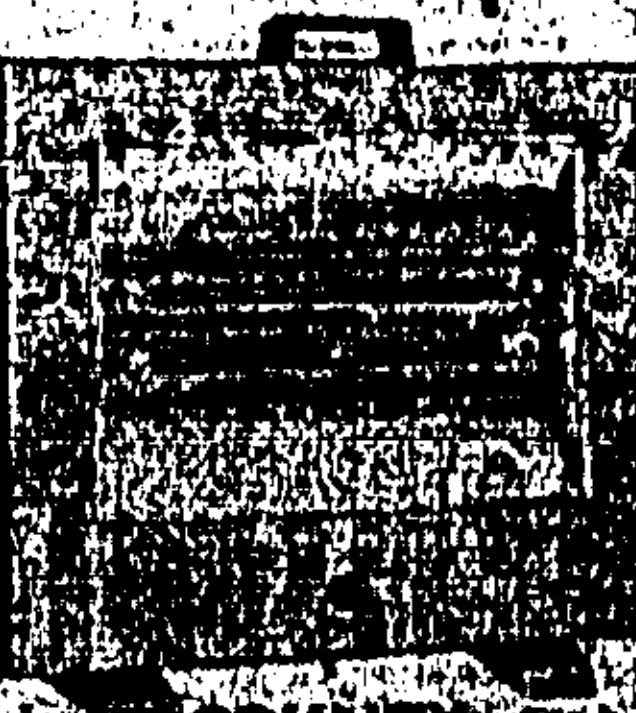
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For Citizens

Speaking in support of the draft platform Mr. T. Addis Martin said a policy such as that advocated by the Club, was obviously for the true citizens of Hong Kong whose home it has been for generations and whose home it will continue to be for generations to come under an enlightened and efficient administration basing its strength on direct representation.

"Forty thousand of the best troops have been pitched out of their homes into this Colony, which is tangible evidence that the democratic way of life is going to be defended by democratic obligations," said Mr. Martin.

In the matter of finance, Mr. Martin advocated that budget committee meetings should be open to the public and the Press so that the tax-paying community would be better informed. He also suggested that the present method of presenting a Budget to the Legislature was not understandable at least to the business man.

A supporter of the system of "pay as you earn" Mr. Martin said assuming increase in taxation was inevitable, such untapped sources of revenue as a Colony Lottery—a good revenue raiser in other parts of the Empire—could be considered, also a head tax, though on the latter there has been some rumbling of disapproval.

Our problems of housing, education and medicine have been overshadowed by that of the thousands of unfortunates coming from the neighbouring province, but in these days when we find ourselves unable even to cope adequately with the present number of the Hong Kong citizens proper, we should apply the principle of "first things first" in dealing with these problems, said Mr. Martin.

Government's policy of least resistance in dealing with the housing problem by requisitioning was criticised by Mr. Martin who said placing the burden on the landlord and interfering with the elementary law of supply and demand, had the effect only of retarding natural expansion and enterprise.

On the subject of public services Mr. Martin stood for the minimum of control. Experience elsewhere has shown that Government is not a business and that one control over profits is desirable and that a reasonable margin should be available to maintain the incentive of efficiency.

For things are still lacking their wounds from the enemy occupation—the man who was unlucky enough not to have been a pre-war civil servant or through strained circumstances could not participate in the financial opportunities enjoyed by the few immediately after the war, Mr. Martin said it was the Club's intention to make urgent representations for an equitable share of reparations, starting first with the valuable alien properties still unaltered in the Colony.

On Government spending Mr. Martin advocated buying in the cheapest markets and a review of the present arrangement of buying through Crown Agents when local facilities for prompt delivery were available.

On the employment of local personnel in the civil service Mr. Martin said the local boy of Portuguese extraction who had fought, bled and died in the defence of this Colony, should not be disappointed.

More Hospitals
The next speaker, Dr. R.H.S. Lee, advocated more hospitals and more clinics. Existing hospital and medical facilities were deplorably inadequate to cope with the Colony's increased population, said Dr. Lee who also advocated a system of travelling clinics for the New Territories.

Dr. Lee stressed the importance of social welfare in a community like Hong Kong. Health and happiness of the people was the best guarantee of their loyalty and integrity. Instances were not wanting where families had perished because they have failed to recognise their obligation towards the welfare of their people.

The next speaker, Mr. Ma Man-fai, spoke on housing, education and agriculture.

Mr. Ma said few people realised how many people in Hong Kong did not have a bed to sleep in. No reform is complete until everyone had a bed to sleep in that he could call his own.

And of the children, Mr. Ma said, until every child had a window to give the occupants' nature's gift of light and fresh air, we would see no diminution in the incidence of tuberculosis.

On the removal of the small Ma urge, Mr. Ma said it should be at least a flush-water closet in each house. The present nightsoil removing system was a disgrace to a modern city like Hong Kong.

Free Education
Mr. Ma's next point on housing was that the present wooden staircases should be replaced by

concrete staircases, so that in case of fire occupants could have at least 10-15 minutes in which to escape their escape.

He urged the adoption of the Abercrombie Report, particularly the removal of the dockyard and the barracks in Wan Chai and Nathan Road. Now that the Service have agreed to move out, let there be no excuse for further shelving of the scheme, urged Mr. Ma.

On the subject of education Mr. Ma said he championed a platform calling for free primary education for the children of all Hong Kong residents and those who have been here for the last 10 years. He said if these people had borne the burden of taxation directly or indirectly for 10 years or more, they had earned the right for their children to have free schooling.

Such brains have been exercised during the last week regarding the lack of sportsmanship and its importance to the community. "But unless the finest tradition of sportsmanship is ingrained into the young while their formative minds are still impressionable, it is futile to expect them to be taught when they are old enough to play in league games."

On the subject of agriculture in the New Territories Mr. Ma stressed the necessity of giving more encouragement to the farmers. He attacked the marketing control scheme which he said, though conceived with the best of intentions, was actually causing great hardship to the farmers. They had protested against this control for the last four years, but without avail, said Mr. Ma.

The present system of administration in the New Territories was a mere veneer, one set of officials, was unjust, and properly accredited spokesmen of villages were often prevented from making representations. It was about time the whole system of administration should be reviewed, urged Mr. Ma.

"No platform is perfect and no committee infallible, and ours is no different, but it is a compromise between idealism and realism. It is a compromise between opposite schools of thought, or the many-sided life in Hong Kong. We may disagree on some of the objectives, but we must admit it is an historical document on which a small body of men, having dedicated themselves for the reform of Hong Kong, could confer, argue and compromise on some common grounds," said Mr. Ma.

Civic Rights
The last speaker, Mr. M.A. da Silva, said that though there might be divergent views among members of the Committee they were all agreed on the general outline of the platform.

The main point of Mr. Silva's talk was his advocacy of the formation of a Civic Rights Commission financed but not controlled by Government. He said:

"If the particular complaint is referred to a single man at some obscure desk in some Government department or is merely aired in a couple of letters addressed to a newspaper, nothing is done, but if that particular complaint is brought to Government's attention in an organised manner, attention and remedy can be obtained. Again, on the other hand, many complaints are frivolous and without foundation and should first be investigated before being brought to Government's attention and for both sides of this question, you should therefore have a Civic Rights Commission, which will deal with the matter in an organised and forceful manner."

"For such a Commission, funds are needed and can only properly come from a democratic Government, in such a manner that there is no economic control by Government, over the head or chief and personnel of this Civil Rights Commission."

"These are details to be worked out later, but the particular significance of this item in the platform is that even with a representative Executive Council, vigilance on behalf of the rights of the private citizen and the community should be maintained by an organised and jealously watched Civil Rights Commission."

Pro-Hong Kong
"This last and perhaps some of the things said by my colleagues or even myself in the past or even today might lead to a misunderstanding that we are anti-Government. This is a 100 per cent (Continued on Page 14)

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12.30—"Hong Kong Calling"—Programme Summary

12.35—"From the Films"

1.00—Robert Barends' Organ Orchestra

1.15—News, Weather Report and Announcements

1.25—Interlude

1.30—"Orchestra of the Week"

1.45—Philharmonic Symphony Orchestra of New York

2.00—Class Down

2.05—"Hong Kong Calling"—Programme Summary

2.15—"I Was There"—The Glorious Revolution—A BBC Broadcast

2.30—Organ Recital by Dr. W. H. Harris, from St. George's Chapel, Windsor (BBC)

2.40—"Demi-Heure Francise" (Studio)

2.50—"World News and News Analysis" (London Relay)

3.15—"Sports Preview" (Studio)

3.30—"Variety Bandbox"—From the Cambridge Theatre, London (BBC)

3.45—"From the Editorials" (London Relay)

4.10—"It's Dancing Time"—Dance Music by the Orchestra of St. Basil's, London (BBC)

4.40—"King of the Curtain"—Excerpts from Donizetti's Opera (BBC)

4.50—"London Studio Melodies"—London Light Orchestra (Conducted by Michael Klein) (BBC)

5.00—"Radio News Item" (London Relay)

5.15—"Weather Report"

5.30—"The Making of a Play" (No. 3) "The Producer" (A Discussion between Alan Dent and Frank Shelley) (BBC)

5.45—"Thursday Serenade"—A Programme of Continuous Music Arranged by Betty Brown

6.00—"Soft Lights and Sweet Music"

6.15—"Weather Report World and Home News from Britain" (London Relay Recorded)

6.30—"Give the King"

6.45—"Close Down"

7.00—"Up With The Sun"

7.15—"Setting Up Exercises"

7.30—"Musical Clock"

7.45—"The Roman Underwater Programme"

8.00—"News and Weather Forecast"

8.15—"Music by Magnate"

8.30—"Morning Music"

8.45—"Composers at Keyboard"

9.00—"Music For All"

9.15—"The Four Knights"

9.30—"Waltz Time"

9.45—"Parade of Rhythm"

P.M.

12.00—"H.K. Stock Exchange"

12.15—"Time Time"

12.30—"From The Films"

1.00—"Light Variety"

1.15—"News"

1.30—"Orchestra Of The Week"

1.45—"Variety Castle"—The 7 Tone—Portrait of popular and semi-classical music

2.00—"Novelties"

2.15—"Tropicans"—Tropical rhythms by Clyde Lucas Orchestra

2.30—"Vocally Yours"

2.45—"Music Makers"—Harry James, Joe Daniels Orchestra

3.00—"Children's Corner"—with Betty Hill

3.15—"Movie Time"

3.30—"Music by Paul Weston"

3.45—"Men Behind The Melody"—The literary and illustrative music of the American composers, Norton Gould & Ferde Grofe

4.00—"The Terry Howard Show"

4.15—"R.R.C. News"

4.30—"Smile Awake"

4.45—"Song Souvenirs"

4.55—"Listen to Liberty"

5.00—"Let's Waltz"

5.15—"The Super-Gala Programme"—The Sweetwood Serenaders and Charles Jordan, Tenor

5.30—"Rediffusion Request Show"—Conducted by Jackie Palmer

5.45—"B.B.C. News"

6.00—"Local News"—from Rediffusion Studios

6.15—"South Americans"

6.30—"Rediffusion Concert Hall"—Ezra Bourton Conducts the Symphony Orchestra in the Shorter Masterpieces of the Great Masters

6.45—"Munter"—Scrapbook—"Viva La France"

6.55—"Radio Rhythm Club"—Italy from London

7.05—"National Military Band"—Italy from London

7.15—"Music in Miniature"—Italy from London

7.30—"Stardust"

7.45—"Close Down"

COAL AGREEMENT

Washington, December 8.

Mr. John L. Lewis tonight announced the settlement of a contract with a number of soft coal operators, mainly in Kentucky, producing almost 2,500,000 tons annually.

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New Delhi, December 7.

India will stop all imports of food grains into the country by the end of 1951, according to the Indian Prime Minister, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru.

Mr. Nehru declared that the target for the achievement of food self-sufficiency must be reached "whatever happens. Whether there is a cyclone or an earthquake."

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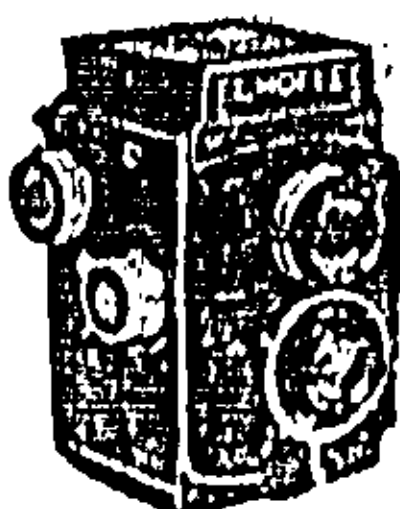
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Sports Pause



Salisbury Sound To Clash With Merry Madcaps

(By "GRANDSTAND")

Oxford Beat Cambridge In Rugger Match

London, December 8.—Oxford beat Cambridge by three points to nil in the Inter-Varsity Rugger Match at Twickenham this afternoon. The victory was secured by three points to nil.

The match was the first of the series of inter-Varsity matches. The two teams played a long and hard-fought game, but Oxford's defence was too strong for Cambridge.

A goal was scored by Oxford in the first half, but Cambridge's defence was too strong for Oxford to score again.

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The USS Salisbury Sound who provided Softball fans with a thrilling game last week, will be seen in action again on Sunday, when they take on a strong Merry Madcap side at 3.30 p.m.

Senior jaguars tangle with Hong Kong Pandas in a tilt in which a hairbreadth finish is expected and followers of the Ladies Leagues will be entertained when the Canadians cross bats with the Pirates, and McTiere's clash with St. Teresa.

The complete week-end fixtures, with umpires and scorers are:

Men's Senior League
Sunday CBA Ground, 11 a.m.
Canadians v. Cambancheros (Hal Winglee, C. Yvanovich, R. A. Bux, Ronnie Partridge); 12.30 p.m. Saints v. Chung Hwa (Kass Nazarin, Bill Woo, Fred Duxter, Eddie Lawrence); 2 p.m. Baseballers v. Overseas (Chuck Chang, Art Ozorio, Frankie Gonzales, Bimbi Abinger); 3 p.m. Pirates v. Merry Madcaps (Hal Winglee, Ren Sequiera, Robert Verlysen, Philo Remedios); 4 p.m. Date-devis v. Paks Sports (Bill Flook, Peppy Malig, Rocco Rosario, Bernard Silva); 5 p.m. Pandas v. Jaguars (Steeley Ruzack, S. H. Khan, Tony Silva, Philo Remedios); 6.30 p.m. US Navy v. Merry Madcaps (Y. C. Mel, Raymond Tsao, Ollie Van, Philo Remedios).

Men's Junior League
Saturday, Recreation Football Ground, 2 p.m. Delaware v. Spartans (Bob Low, Hal Ong, Spud Wong, Samet Samy); 3.30 p.m. Pandas v. Rexes (Les Castro, Bob Hearther, Desmond Leck, Rennie Barretto); 5 p.m. Sunday CBA Ground, 9.30 a.m. Overseas v. Griffins (Danny Izzet, Lionel Sequiera, Stephen Xavier, Tony Kwok); 3.30 p.m. Aces v. Jaguars (Johnnie Ho, K. K. Sum, Jackie Mason, Eddie Loureiro); 5 p.m. Recreation Football Ground, 9.30 a.m. Braves v. Blackhaws (Tiger Hussain, Umble Mose, McGraun, Samet Samy).

Ladies' Senior League
Saturday, CBA Ground, 3.30 p.m. Canadians v. Pirates (Mike Lee, Robert Remedios, E. Rosario, Hal Winglee).

Ladies' Junior League
Saturday, CBA Ground, 2 p.m. McTiereans v. St. Teresa (Don Robbins, Bill Silva, Roberto Nunes, Hal Winglee).
The games of last week resulted in major upheavals in the Men's Senior League batting averages. St. Teresa third-sacker, Billy Soares, is now leading with 420.

In the Senior Ladies and Men's Junior Divisions, Avarita Choy of the Canuckettes and L. T. Chang of the Panda Cubs are still top of the heap with 471 and 500, respectively.
The Ladies Junior average show St. Teresa second-sacker Gloria Silva at the top with a tidy 475.

Men's Senior League
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Ren Sequiera 7 30 12 400
H. Quon (Can) 7 30 12 400
Ladies' Senior League
G. Silva 6 21 9 420
A. Choy (Can) 4 17 7 471
P. Ribeiro (W) 4 18 7 300
B. Lee (Phi) 4 13 5 385
Men's Junior League
G. Silva 3 8 5 875
R. Marques (Sq) 3 11 5 455
J. Guest (Sq) 3 13 5 385
Those interested in representing Great Britain in the forthcoming International Series will meet at the VRC at 5.30 p.m. today, to select a field manager and elect a Selection Committee.

Blackhaws' first baseman, Roberto Nunes, and Delaware hurler, Rennie Barretto, are the first two to be issued with the Official Score's badge of the Association, having passed a theoretical and practical examination. A class for potential examiners will be held at 22, Mody Road, tomorrow at 5.30 p.m.

League standings inclusive of games played last week are:

League Table To Date
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MEN'S SENIOR LEAGUE
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Pandas 0 1 0.000
US Navy 0 2 0.000
Maddcaps 0 3 0.000
Americans 4 2 0.667
St. Teresa 4 2 0.667
Canadians 4 3 0.571
Chiefs 3 3 0.500
Chung Hwa 3 3 0.500
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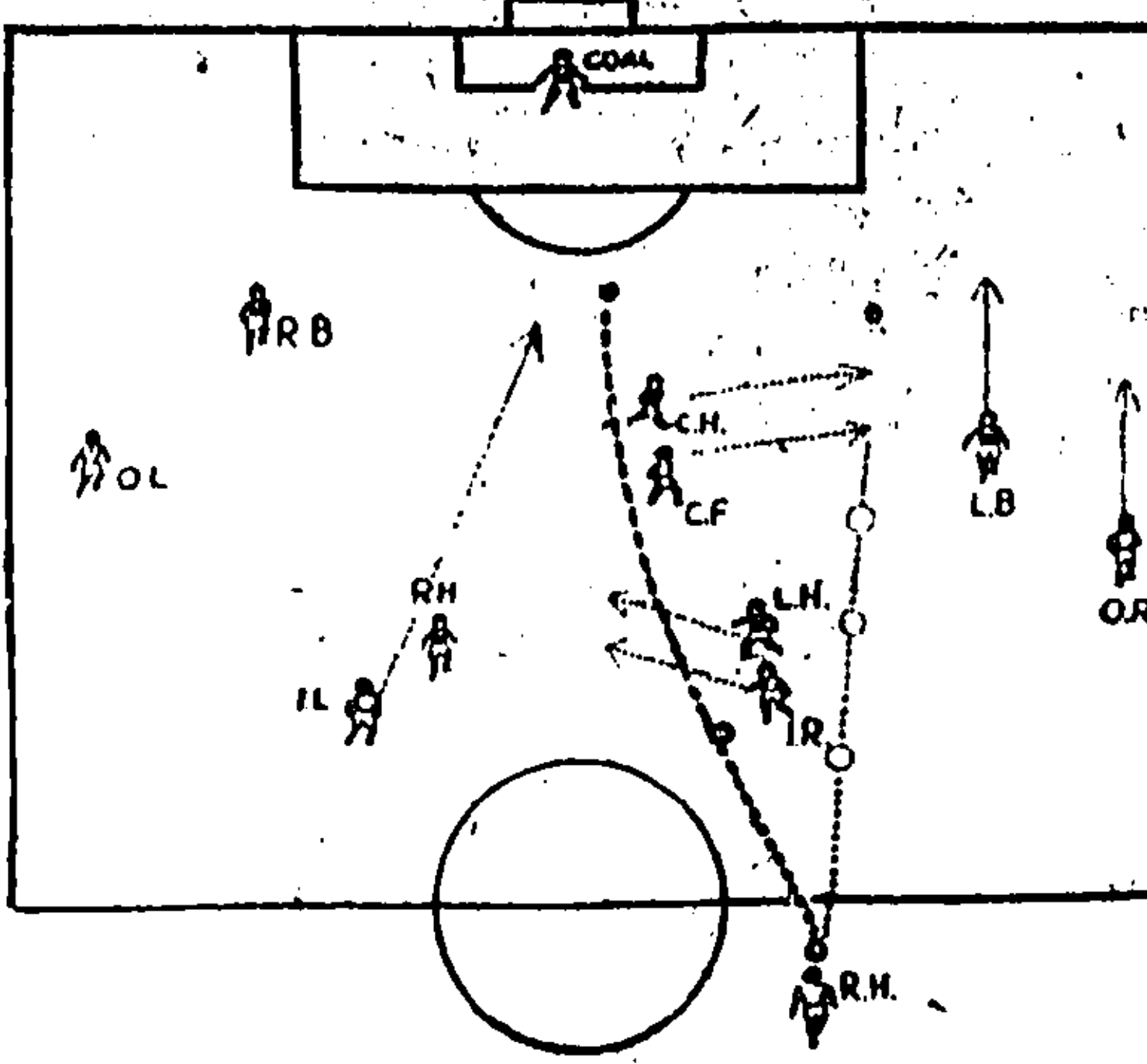
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Braves 5 3 0.625
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White Fangs 3 1 0.750
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St. Teresa 2 1 0.667
Clovers 1 3 0.250
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SNOOKER TOURNAMENT
London, December 6.
Albert Brown, of Birmingham, and Sidney Smith, of Doncaster, started today's play, in their "News of the World" snooker tournament, here on level terms, each with six frames to his credit, but Brown, who receives six points in each frame, led by 10 frames to eight at the interval.

The scores were: (Brown) first 68 to 54, 82 to 57, 39 to 75, 30 to 80, 50 to 49, and 113 to 14—Reuter.

YARD POLICE XI
The following will represent the Royal Naval Yard Police soccer in their Junior shield match against Army on the Navy ground, Caugway, Bay on Sunday, December 11, kick-off 2 p.m.
Jones, Mc Gowan, Buldhead, Brookshaw, Klamopolous, Kidby, Elliott, Nisum, Babbs, Wallace, Reserve: Omar.

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Commandos Win Rugby Cup Game

Revealing better teamwork, the Commandos decisively won their postponed Rugby Cup Tournament encounter with the Police on the Club ground yesterday by 33 points to 0.

The Police XV (they were really only 14 men as Marten failed to show up) lost not through lack of trying, but through lack of understanding.

They fell off badly in the second half and only once did they get within five yards of their opponents' line.

McDermott and Harris were outstanding for the winners with their speed and sure handling of the ball, though McDermott was inclined too often to try and break through on his own.

Harrison for the Commandos scored a brilliant try after catching his own kick ahead.

Wharfe, stand-off half for the Commandos, was in grand form with his kicking and starting the attack line going.

All that could be said of the Police players was that they tried hard. Wall and Reynolds made several fine tackles but they could not cope with the speedy Commandos.

A few minutes after the kick-off the Commandos tried for a penalty goal from the sidelines on the 25-yard line but Wharfe failed, the ball missing the posts by inches.

The Commandos were on the offensive and Wall saved a dangerous situation when he caught a surprise kick ahead by Wharfe almost on the goal line and found touch.

In the 15th minute Wharfe missed a chance to open the scoring when he failed to convert a penalty directly in front of the goal posts.

He made amends in the 22nd minute when he evaded several attackers before passing to Fiebert who scored. Fiebert failed to convert from a difficult angle.

Seven minutes later Harris picked up a loose ball in mid-field and passed to Wharfe who avoided a tackle by Wall and scored. Fiebert converted to make it 6-0.

A short time later Harrison lost a fine chance to score when he dropped a pass from McDermott less than 10 yards from the Police goal line.

Then in the 25th minute Herbert obtained the ball from a scrum and passed to Harris, who dodged through half, the Police and scored between the posts. However, Fiebert failed to convert the conversion.

The Commandos forwards used their feet to advantage and then Smith picked the ball up on the wing and scored near the sideline.

"The kick failed."
At half-time the score was 14 points to nil.

Second Half
The rest period did not seem to do the Police any good as they were plucked on the defensive from the kick-off.

The Wing-Half Can Create An Opening

(By ARTHUR ROWE, Manager of Tottenham Hotspur)

Simplicity is the keynote of this move, which enables a half-back to open up the game when the obvious passes to his inside forward or winger are ruled out because these players are covered.

The centre-forward moves out square towards the right wing where the wing half has the ball and this should take the opposing centre-half out of the middle of the field thus creating a gap.

The inside-left sprints forward to the empty space and the right-half then drives the ball well up the middle for the inside-left to move on to.

If the move does not work there is an alternative.

Should the opposing centre-half stay at home then the right-half plays the ball to the centre-forward who must, obviously, be unmarked.

KCC CRICKET TEAMS

The following are the Kowloon Cricket Club cricket teams for Saturday, December 10:
1st XI (League) against "Optimists" at KCC, commencing 1.45 p.m.
R. E. Lee, W. H. Colledge, W. Davidson, F. R. Kermack, J. Lorio, C. P. Smith, A. Zimmer, F. H. Zimmer, A. T. Lee, E. C. Fincher and N. Hart-Baker.
Umpire—A. G. B. Carnell.
Scorer—J. P. Robinson.

2nd XI (Friendly) against Hong Kong University at Pokfulam, commencing at 1.45 p.m.
D. G. White (Captain), J. Chubb, F. A. Broadbridge, E. A. Lee, W. H. Cowie, E. Guest, R. Labrum, E. Randall, V. C. Seymour, G. R. Rosset and R. N. Manley.
Reserve, A. J. Wood.

RAF CRICKET TEAMS

The following will represent the RAF XI against Army in a League cricket match at Kai Tak on Saturday, December 10:
S/Ldr. Gall (Capt), F/O. Gambrill, W/Cdr. Pantou, F/Lt. Ball, F/Lt. Vaughan, AC. Fryer, Sgt. Dunn, A/C. West, E. C. Curran, Sgt. Moorhouse, Sgt. Roddy.

The following will represent the Royal Air Force 2nd XI against the Commandos in a League cricket match at Sookmoo on Saturday, December 10:
Sgt. Parks, W/O. Scott, F/O. Taylor, F/Sgt. Blackburn, LAC. England, Cpl. Hurst, F/Sgt. Crellin, Sgt. Davenport, F/Sgt. Ronston, Sgt. Thompson, Cpl. Barnes.

RECREIO 1ST XI

The following will represent the Club de Recreio 1st XI in a League cricket match against the Commandos at King's Park on Saturday, December 10, at 1.45 p.m.
A. M. Prata, Capt., Dr. A. M. Rodrigues, Dr. B. L. Gosano, Dr. H. L. Ozorio, G. N. Gosano, L. G. Gosano, M. d'Almeida Remedios, P. M. N. da Silva, A. P. Pereira, N. A. Beltrao and B. M. L. Soares.

KCC AMERICAN TENNIS TOURNAMENT

Members are reminded that the entries for the American Tennis Tournament, to be held on Sunday, December 11, commencing at 10.30 a.m. close at the Club House today at 7 p.m.

Partners will be drawn for, so intending competitors do not have to enter with partners.

267 entries, nearly 50 players have entered for the Tournament and given fair weather, some keen and interesting tennis should be seen.

A Tea Dance will be held after the Tournament and this will commence at 8 p.m. During this dance Dr. H. Ozorio and Mr. M. Silas will supply some of the music on the piano.

Prizes for the Tennis Handicap Tournament and the Club Championships for 1949 will be presented during the interval.

VICTORIAN TENNIS SEMI-FINALISTS

Sydney, December 6.
John Bromwich, Bill Sidwell, Frank Sedgman and Jaroslav Drobný, today entered the semi-finals of the Victorian Tennis semi-finals.
Sidwell beat Collin Long 1-6, 6-1, 6-3, 6-2.
Drobný beat Adrian Quist 6-2, 6-0, 6-2, 6-0. Associated Press.

KITC ELECTION

A meeting held last Sunday at the Kowloon Indian Tennis Club at King's Park, Mr. D. G. Walling was elected as a new committee member and a vice-secretary for hockey.

The Kowloon Bowling Green Club will entertain three rinks from the USRC on Saturday. The home team will be selected from members who are present at 7.30 p.m. There will be a picnic game for those not selected.

Cup Games Add To Home Soccer Interest This Week-End

(By "ALBION")

Apparently 'form' took a week-end off in the majority of last Saturday's games; even Birmingham decided to confound the critics by beating Charlton!

With it all, the leaders of the Second the Southern and Northern Divisions all recorded wins and Liverpool, heading the Premier Division, just made the grade against Pompey.

This coming Saturday, there is a sprinkling of Cup games to add to Home Soccer interest with the winners of this round going into the bag with the 'big noises' for January 7 ties.

There were few surprises in the last round there now being only eight non-league teams left to participate in Saturday's games.

The match which provides most interest on this occasion is the Doncaster Rovers-Mansfield Town game on the former's ground.

Whether Doncaster will prefer to go for league honours and leave the glory of the Cup to their rivals remains to be seen. On form it should be Doncaster's game, but with Cup matches you can never tell.

Nottingham should have an easy passage in their league game with Rotherham and Nottingham should progress against Stockport County.

It should be a close game at Northampton, where Torquay United are the visitors.

Torquay have been very consistent in their league games for the last season and an away win would not be an impossibility here.

There will be a dour struggle for supremacy when Yeovil Town and Gillingham meet. Both teams did extremely well in last year's competition and a keen game can be expected on Saturday.

Yeovil got my vote by virtue of ground advantage.

Now we turn to the league games in Division I.

The Portsmouth-Arsenal fixture looks the most intriguing. Pompey did well to take a point from the leaders last Saturday and will be out to improve their position against the Gunners on Saturday.

Portsmouth's form this year, would hardly suggest such a goal rush on this occasion; a home win, however, is predicted.

The leaders go to Leeds Road this afternoon to Huddersfield—this should be an easy thing for Liverpool.

Huddersfield have dropped back into their last season's mood displays of late and against the might of Division I cannot be expected to achieve a revival.

Manchester United pay a visit to Craven Cottage this week as guests to Fulham. This is the first occasion they have met in a league match in 11 years.

Although Fulham seem to be holding their own fairly well in this Division, I think the United will prove too much for them and an away win should be a fairly safe bet.

A Useful Win
Have Birmingham found the perfect combination at last? They had quite a useful win at the expense of Charlton on Saturday, and will no doubt be out to lower the colours of their neighbours, Aston Villa, in their forthcoming duel. Only the very optimistic could hope for them to continue in this vein. To me it looks a pretty safe home bet.

Tottenham Hotspur appear to go on from strength to strength in the second Division; they now have a comfortable eight point lead over their nearest rivals and another two points in the bag from their game with Swansea on Saturday.

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